August 1926

To the Friends and Correspondents
of the Smithsonian Institution.

This will introduce Dr. Waldo L Schmitt, Curator of Marine Invertebrates in the U. S. National Museum, who, as holder of the Walter Rathbone Bacon Scholarship, is engaged in making a scientific study of the marine fauna of South America. His mission is a purely scientific one, the results of which will eventually be incorporated in a published report, and any courtesies or facilities that you may be able to extend to assist him in the prosecution of his studies will be very greatly appreciated by the Smithsonian Institution.

Very respectfully yours,

[Signature]

Acting Secretary.
Agosto 1926

A los distinguidos Amigos y Correspondentes de la "Smithsonian Institution."

El portador de esta carta, el Doctor Waldo L. Schmitt, encargado de las colecciones de invertebrados marinos en el Museo Nacional del gobierno de los Estados Unidos, está viajando en ese país con el deseo de emprender estudios científicos de la fauna marina. En este ramo de las ciencias, el Dr. Schmitt es uno de los primeros especialistas de nuestro país. Su misión es puramente científica, y los resultados se publicarán en las transacciones del Museo Nacional. Por cualquier apoyo que le extendiera para facilitar sus estudios, le quedaré profundamente agradecida y obligada esta Institución.

Con toda consideración, me es muy grato subscribirme.

de Usted su atto, y S. S.

[Signature]

Acting Secretary.
CIMITA: Lector.

Cuatro mil pesos de minas.

Año: 1742

[Signature]

[Stamp]
August 4, 1926

To whom it may concern:

The bearer of this letter, Doctor Waldo L. Schmitt, Curator of Marine Invertebrates in the U. S. National Museum and holder of the Walter Rathbone Bacon scholarship is about to proceed to South America in pursuance of his studies of the crustacean fauna of that region. His itinerary includes Ecuador, Peru, Chile, Argentina, possibly the Falkland Islands, Uruguay, and Brazil. Doctor Schmitt has been granted a special passport in connection with his journey and any facilities or assistance that may be accorded to him through your intervention will be greatly appreciated.

Very respectfully yours,

[Signature]

Acting Secretary
September 26, 1988

Mr. W. P. Adams,
Adams Brothers & Co.,
Odebolt, Iowa.

My dear Mr. Adams:

Your desire to visit Juan Fernandez reminds me of the very delightful time I spent there. I wish I could live my trip over again. However, the place is not equipped to care for tourists or visitors even over night. You would find no accommodations that would strike you as comfortable unless you were accustomed to South American conditions and customs. Judging from the nature of the trip that you will be making, I would suggest that you time your visit so as to go with one of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's excursions. These take place once a year, either in November or February. Details regarding the next excursion are not obtainable in Washington, but these could be obtained in New York by addressing the affiliated company, the Pacific Steam Navigation Company at 26 Broadway, New York City.

The Island is three hundred and seventy miles west of Valparaiso, and the steamer trip, which occupies three days, allows you fifteen hours ashore at Juan Fernandez. The fare is about $50 round trip from Valparaiso. I would advise against the small schooner going to the Island, about which you specifically inquire. It is a strictly private vessel, used in the transportation of lobsters, and accommodations are very primitive and very limited. However, the American Consul in Valparaiso knows of my visit to Juan Fernandez, and can give you such particulars as you may need to know right on the ground, but if you take my advice you will time your trip so as to meet up with the excursion steamer out of Valparaiso.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Waldo L. Schmitt
Curator of Marine Invertebrates.

WLS/nks
September 20th, 1928

Mr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
Curator of Marine Invertebrate,
National Museum, Smithsonian Institute,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The writer and a friend are going to make a trip around the East and West Coast of South America in November, and want very much to go from Valparaiso to the Island of Juan Fernandez, but seem unable to get any information whatever from the Steamship Companies regarding the vessels and manner of getting over, the accommodations when we get there and on the vessel, and I am wondering if you would be good enough to give us some short detail as to who we go to in Valparaiso to find out about this small vessel going over to the Island, dates of sailing, and who we shall go to for board and lodging at the Island, and any other information you may see fit to give us I assure you we shall be deeply appreciative of.

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, I am

Yours very truly,

W. P. Adams.
Montevideo, 15 Novembre de 1922
Sunday 10.15 AM

My dear Schmitt

Greetings from the

Argentine. Como leva Ud.? I called
tonight to see you and am told that
you were out my terraza temprano.

Bisn. I will come again tomorrow
night. I am staying at the Alhambra Hotel
in the anexo, on the opposite side of
the road. I am here for a week
with our Agent.

Señor

Dr. Gustavo Lago

Punta Arenas.

Querido amigo y colega:

El portador de la presente Dr. W. F. Schmitt, va en misión científica a Chile y ha sido mi compañero de camarote desde Nueva York al Chile, piensen en a Santa Arenas, y todo lo que lo puedan atender le lo apreciaré mucho.

Le saluda alta

Pedro Calvo Barros.
September 27, 1920.

Mr. C. A. Beck,
1139 Reibold Bldg.,
Dayton, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Beck:

I am not altogether certain about my knowledge of the restrictions concerning the export of the wood of the Chonta palm, but I believe due to the rapid depletion of the rare and interesting species on Juan Fernandez that the Chilean government has prohibited the exportation of the wood other than that which has been fabricated by the islanders.

I do not know for what purpose you seek a bit of it, but I have a small stick on my desk, about six inches long and one-half inch thick, of which I will be glad to give you a couple of inches if that will serve your purpose.

I hardly know where to tell you to write for further information. You might write to the Ministry of Agriculture at Santiago, Chile, about your desires, but I would not be too hopeful regarding a favorable response.

Very truly yours,

Waldo L. Schmitt
Curator of Marine Invertebrates.

WLS/nks
C. A. BECK
WATCHMAKER

1139 REIBOLD BUILDING
DAYTON, OHIO

Sept 12th 1928

My dear Mr. Beck,

I am an avid reader and subscriber to the Geographic Magazine and your article on the voyage of the

schooner "Pea Island" was very interesting. I remember seeing an article on page 364 of your magazine about the Pea Island being used in raising Mackinaw

trees. Can you give direct information to obtain a piece of that wood? I prefer getting it in

the rough. Mackinaw lyme for my

instruments. I am sure Mr. Beck

will be happy to help.

Dr. Waddo L. Shedd
Washington
Saturday A. M.

My dear Dr. Schmitt,

I hear conflicting reports about your plans. St. Ange says you are going to be out on a steam trawler Sunday, and Mayer says that he understands...
differently.

However — if you are
to be free Sunday, and
care to spend the day in
Pagneta I shall be de-
lighted to have you
come over. The ferry
leaves at 9:30 Sunday
morning. (Ferry schedule
is different from other day.)
There are boats back at 4:00
and at 7:00, or you can
stay over till Monday morning.

[Signature]
Doctor
Waldo L. Schmitt,
Hotel Ritz,
City.

Dear Doctor Schmitt:

With reference to the interview we had yesterday regarding your trip to Sta Elena I have to inform you that our employee who was assigned to work at our St Elena cable station arrived yesterday sick and he is now confined to Doctor Parker's clinic for treatment, therefore, we have been obliged to cancel his trip by automobil to Sta Elena until he recovers.

I regret very much for what has happened and I would suggest that you take tomorrow's (Wednesday) train which leaves for San Jose de Amen at about 6.30 am. If you decide to do so I will be glad to wire our St Elena station manager to book one seat for you from San Jose de Amen to Salinas on one of the automobiles which come to meet passengers on said train.

I will be at the Ritz hotel at 7 pm tonight where you can let me know if you are leaving or not tomorrow.

Yours very truly

[Signature]
Dear Mr. Schmidt,

Thanks for Mr. Will's letter, I am glad to know that he is still going strong. I may or may be taking charge of a schooner (200 tons) and Auxiliary engine (200 HP). I'm going to San Francisco in 3 months. I will be there not later than a month. He goes on a fishing expedition to a new vessel. Perhaps you might be interested in making the trip. The islands are quite different to the islands of the Faroes.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Signature]
CHERRY BLOSSOM TIME AT POTOMAC PARK, WASHINGTON, D. C.
WASHINGON OCT 2 1925

Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt
Care American Consul
Montevideo
Uruguay.
July 27, 1925.

Miss Glenn,
Instituto Central do Povo,
233 Rua Livramento,
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Dear Miss Glenn:

Mr. Waldo L. Schmitt, a zoologist of the National Museum, is going to explore the coast from Rio de Janeiro south for marine invertebrates. He will only be in Rio for a short time. I have told him that missionaries are the chief source of information in Brazil, and that you and the others will be ready to help him in this way. He intends to stop at fishing villages around Rio and along the coast. If you can tell him of pensásos or give him letters to missionaries in such places I shall be grateful and so will he. I have known him since he was a boy and he is a fine man as well as a good scientist.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Agnes Chase, Assistant Agrostologist,
Bureau of Plant Industry.
Dr. John Warner,
Caixa Postal 788,
São Paulo, Brazil, South America.

Dear Mr. Warner:

Mr. Waldo L. Schmitt, a zoologist of the National Museum, is going to explore the coast from Rio de Janeiro south for marine invertebrates. He is going to visit São Paulo only for a short time. I have told him you will be glad to give him such information as he requires, or you may be able to give him letters to others along the coast. The letters you gave me were a wonderful help to my work.

Not knowing your home address as yet I am asking you to drop Mr. Schmitt a card at Santos giving your office address.

Best wishes to Mrs. Warner and the children.

Yours sincerely,

Agnes Chase

Agnes Chase, Assistant Agrostologist,
Bureau of Plant Industry.
II. 4. 27

Teal Inlet

Dear Mr. Schmidt,

Thank you very much for the chocolates you sent me and for those you sent the school class. We enjoyed them very much.

I am sending you a bottle of things that Eileen, Grace Perry & Min Passin have collected for you — I hope they will arrive safely.

Yours sincerely,

K. Coffin
Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
U.S. National Museum,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Schmitt:

I enclose copies of the Juan Fernandez negatives you asked for in your letters of Feb. 27 and March 13. The cost is very small indeed, and I trust you will accept the prints as a present. You may use them just as you like save that I shall be glad if an indication of the source is not omitted.

You can render me a valuable service by informing me of where your zoological results are published. I suppose that you know the work "The natural history of Juan Fernandez and Easter Island". A new part of the Zoology volume /part 4/ is in press. As far as I remember, the U.S. Museum is among the subscribers.

Sincerely yours

[Signature]
July 30, 1925.

My dear Dr. Schmidt,

Here are the mealworms for the frogs & toads.
I forgot to pack them yesterday for you.

If you do not get any frogs to fill the extra two cans which are now empty, I would suggest that you put some of the frogs from the large can into the two empty ones, as I had to pack them rather too closely in the large can. I hope they will not sing or keep you awake at night.

Bon voyage!

Sincerely yours,

Doris J. Cochrane
Dr. Schmitt
Mr. Waldo L. Schmitt, Asst. Curator,
Division of Marine Invertebrates,
Smithsonian Institution,
City.

Dear Sir:-

We enclose copy of Lamport & Holts circular giving
rates for passage ticket between New York and Buenos Ayres or visa
versa.

We also enclose copy of sailings of their steamers as
far as scheduled.

Additional information as requested by you will be sent
to you from time to time as soon as received by us.

Very truly yours,

THE CUNARD STEAM SHIP COMPANY LTD.

[Signature]

GWM-RP
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM NEW YORK.

SS ALBAN  
SS TENNYSON  
SS VASARI & VESTRIS  
SS BYRON  
SS VAUBAN  

July 10th  
July 12th  
Early and Late August  
Early September  
Middle of October  

To Rio de Janeiro and Santos  
To Para, Pernambuco and Rio  
To Brazil & River Plate port  
To Brazil Ports.  
To " " and River Plate port
July 3, 1919.

Mr. Waldo L. Schmitt, Asst. Curator,
Division of Marine Invertebrates,
Smithsonian Institution,
City.

Dear Sir:-

In further reply to yours of June 21st beg to say that we are in receipt of letter from the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, New York, sending us their sailings between Cristobal and Valparaiso next month, as follows:

"Chile" - - - - - August 5th
"Guatemala" - - - - " 12th
"Peru" - - - - - " 28th

The rate between Cristobal and Valparaiso is $218.

They failed to send us one of their folders giving the rates between all ports on their line and advising the time between sailings from the different ports, but we have repeated our request today and will send folder, etc., to you as soon as received.

We are further advised they do not know of any services between Cristobal and La Guayra, in fact, they do not think there is any such service.

They also state they have no sailings between Valparaiso and Buenos Aires through the Straits of Magellan.

Our request for sailings, rates, etc., between Buenos Aires and New York have not yet come to hand and we repeated our request yesterday.

Very truly yours,

THE CUNARD STEAM SHIP COMPANY LTD.

[Signature]
Mr. Waldo L. Schmitt, Asst. Curator,
Division Marine Invertebrates,
Smithsonian Institution,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Yours of the 21st inst., duly received and noting regarding your trip and desire to stop first at Venezuela, if possible.

We communicated with the Red "D" Line in New York who have sailings between New York and La Guayra and they have sent us a list of their sailings beginning with July 2nd and up to and including Sept. 24th, which is enclosed.

We requested them to inform us regarding sailings between La Guayra and Cristobal, Canal Zone, and they state they are unable to comply with our request. We know of no steamer service between the points named.

Christobal steamers of the Peruvian Line, Chili Line and Pacific Steam Navigation Company have frequent service to the various ports on the west coast of South America up to Valparaiso.

We have written making inquiry relative to sailings and rates to these various ports and which we will send to you as soon as received.

We have also inquired as to whether there is a service between Valparaiso through the Straits of Magellan to Buenos Ayers. From the latter port to New York the Lamport & Holt Line have rather frequent sailings, and the rates for passage tickets over that line will be requested, all information sent to you when received.

Very truly yours,

THE CUNARD STEAM SHIP COMPANY LTD.

June 25, 1919.
Mr. Waldo S. Schmitt,
c/o American Consulate,
Montevideo, Uruguay.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter requesting that any mail for you be forwarded to care of the American Consul at Montevideo, Uruguay, and I will be pleased to comply with your request. Dr. Metcalf called and left your forwarding address, but so far no mail has been received for you here. Please let us know if there is any change in your present address.

Very respectfully yours,

C. F. Deichman
American Consul-General.
Pelotas, November 10, 1925.

Distinguished Sir:

It is extremely agreeable to me to write you this letter with the object of informing you that I have just received the photograph which you were kind enough to send me as a remembrance of our good and delightful companionship on board of the steamer "Santos" on the journey to the South. I am very much touched by the solicitude of the kind friend and it will therefore be serviceable to me to have the pleasure of reciprocating to the extent of my insignificant abilities in this modest land (Pelotas).

Without anything further to say I avail myself of this welcome opportunity to assure you of my high esteem and perfect consideration, subscribing myself your attentive friend and obedient servant,
Telegrammas — "VICTORINO"
Teleph. M. R., 824

Codigos — Borges, Ribeiro,
Two - in - one. e Particulares

Rua Conde de P. Alegre n.150
Teleph. Ganzo, 81

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DIAS IRMÃO & Cia.
COMISSÕES, CONSIGNAÇÕES E CONTA PROPRIA

PELOTAS, Nov. 10/1925
R. G. do S. — Brasil

Ilmo. Sr. W. Schmitt
Monteviádo
R. G. do Uruguay

Presado Senhor:

É-me immensamente apazível formular-lhe a presente, com o fim de partecipar-lhe que acabei de receber a photographia que teve a amabilidade de remeter-me e como lembrança de nossa boa e inesquecível camaradagem a bordo do s/s "SANTOS", em viagem para o Sul. Muito me sensibiliza a solicitude do distinto Amigo, e ser-me-ia obsequioso pelo tanto, ter o prazer de retribuir-lhe dentro de meus insignificantes prestativos nesta modesta terrinha (-PELOTAS-).

Sem outros objectivos, valho-me do grato ensejo para hypothecar-lhe minha incondicional estima e distinta consideração, firmando-me

De V.S.
Amigo. Atto. e Obrigdo.

[Victorino]
Buenos Aires, Diciembre 20 de 1926.

Señor Doctor D. WALDO L. SCHMITT.

VALPARAÍSO, (Chile).

Mi estimado Dr. SCHMITT:

Recién el sábado 18 recibí su carta de Valparaíso fecha Noviembre 27 ppd. pues por error del sobrescrito ha ido a "Comodoro Rivadavia" ( ! ) ... Me alegra de saber que ya anda Vd. cerca y sólo lamento que probablemente esta carta no lo alcanzará antes de salir para el extremo sur.

Hace algún tiempo recibí carta del Museo de Washington referente a su viaje, y me anunciaban el envío de unos cajones de Vd., los que naturalmente no tendría ningún inconveniente en guardarlos hasta su regreso. Por algún motivo esta carta quedó para ser contestada; entendiéndolo que los cajones llegarían. Ahora me dice Vd. (si he entendido bien su "hand-writing"). Will you please hold my boxes there much longer?" Es claro que con mucho gusto, pero aquí no han llegado ni tampoco ningún aviso. Es posible que lleguen más tarde, si vienen de Punta Arenas. En todo caso, ruegue le me avise lo que haya de esto y cuente que con el mayor gusto haré todo lo que sea necesario para facilitarle la realización de su misión.

Veo que hará un lindo viaje por el sur y sin duda será una buena cosecha.

A la espera de sus noticias, le saludo muy atentamente.

[Signature]

No.1425. RP.

Museo Nacional de Historia Natural

Dirección

M. Dellepiane a l'honneur de saluer
Mr. WALDO S. SCHMITT, en lui adressant tous
ses remerciements pour l'envoi de ses inté-
ressantes publications: "THE MACRURAN, ANOMURAN,
AND STOMATOPODS CRUSTACEOUS COLLECTED BY THE AMERICAN MUSEUM
CONGO EXPEDITION, 1909, 1915", dont il apprécie la va-
leur.

Buenos Aires, Julio 20/926

Mr. WALDO S. SCHMITT
Departament of Marine Invertebrates, United
States National Museum, Washington, D.C.

Returns thanks to Mr. Waldo S.
Schmitt for sending the interesting
publications named above, of which he
appreciates the value.
MUSEO NACIONAL DE HISTORIA NATURAL
"BERNARDINO RIVADAVIA"

Fundado el 31 de Diciembre de 1823,

Colocación de la piedra fundamental de su futuro edificio.
31 de Diciembre de 1925
BUENOS AIRES
Buenos Aires, Diciembre de 1925.

Señor Doctor Waldo L. Schmitt.

El suscripto, Director del Museo Nacional de Historia Natural "Bernardino Rivadavia", se compliece en invitar a Vd. al acto de la colocación de la piedra fundamental del futuro edificio del Museo, que por Resolución de S.E. el Señor Ministro de Justicia e Instrucción Pública, Doctor Don Antonio Suárez, tendrá lugar el día jueves 31 del corriente, - 102° aniversario de la fundación de este Instituto, - a las 9.30 horas, en el Parque Centenario (calles Campichelo y Chubut). Saluda a Vd. con su más distinguida consideración.

M. DOELLO JURADO
January 31, 1926

Dear Dr. Schmidt,

The title of the long article on

"Contribution à l'étude de la pêche maritime en Uruguay"

by André Bouyot

is found in-

Revista del Instituto de Agronomía de Montevideo, No VIII, Julio 1911

Bouyot was a professor in the Agricultural College at Sayago, a suburb of Montevideo, some six miles out.

This article outlines a plan for the establishment of a Bureau for the Study of Marine Life & no doubt was responsible for the present Institute of Fisheries.

Sincerely yours,

James J. Dsia

Avenida Sanlínieto 2637
Pocitos
Recuerdo de la Isla del «Robinson Crusoe». 
Dear Aunt and Family

With all good wishes for a wonderful Christmas and New Year 1930.

Felicity and prosperity.

Other day I certainly sent to you letter answering your letter of Oct 19th. Very much thanks for the magazine and supplement of.

Juan Fernández 20 Dec 29 - Chile
October 2, 1923

Mr. Rene Durand  
Juan Fernandez Islands  
Chile, South America

Dear Mr. Durand:

I am certainly glad to hear from you again. I wondered what had become of you, for I had had no word since you wrote me that you had paid a visit to the mainland. That has been a long time ago, and, now that I think of it, it seems that I had heard that you were no longer on the island. This would indicate that the publications I sent you were returned. Consequently, I am sending you two copies of the article in the National Geographic Magazine, together with three copies of a little paper by a friend of mine describing some new forms of the little shell-like animals I showed you in the mud that we brought up with the little dipper from the bottom of Cumberland Bay. As you will see, one of the species is named for you and another for Senor Donies. You can give him one of the little books. This time the package is going forward to you by registered mail, so there will be no question about its reaching your hands. Is Mrs. Durand still the post mistress? If so, she will be the first to receive the package.

I know this should be written in Spanish. I am very ashamed that I cannot do as well with your language as you do with the English. It is really a very wonderful letter that you have written and you are certainly in a position to carry on a correspondence with any one in the States. I am very sorry that Mr. Benjamin W. Hahn wrote you in English, because I told him to be sure
to write in French or Spanish; but I see now that you are able to get along equally well in English.

Yes, I too would like some of the seeds of the giant panque if you ever are so fortunate as to obtain some. I know our Botanical Garden in Washington would enjoy having them. You will be interested to know that the Botanical Garden in Pittsburgh has some beautiful specimens of the chonta palm. I have lectured several times on your beautiful islands, and on one occasion a gentleman in the audience told me that he had seen the chonta at that place. Another friend of mine is trying to grow some of the seeds of that palm in Florida. I have not yet heard whether they have sprouted.

I do hope that your wife's estate will be settled satisfactorily one of these days. It would be very nice if you could come to the States as you had planned. At this time, I now have a house large enough to entertain a few guests, and nothing would give me greater pleasure than to have all of you pay us a visit in Washington.

I am very glad to hear that all of you are enjoying good health. It is the same with us.

I do have to laugh when you remind me of the checker game. Why don't you mention dominoes? I did have a little better luck with them.

I often look at my pictures, of which I believe you have some copies. I wish that you could see the colored lantern slides that have been made from them for lecture purposes. My whole desire is to visit you folks again, and if I can arrange my affairs, I shall do so, but it will be three or four years, even if it is then possible.

Whenever I think of Christmas night, I cannot fail to remember you and the shoes.
I send to you and yours our very best good wishes, and hope that we will meet soon again. You will see that I am quite prompt in answering your letter, and I shall promise always to do so in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Waldo L. Schmitt,
Curator of Marine Invertebrates.

P.S. You will see that I have asked the young lady who has been kind enough to type this letter to make it, as we say, double space, so that you can easily write in the French or Spanish equivalent between the lines, should you care to do so.

I give you my best and a heartfelt brace. I would that I could be with you once again.
Juan Fernandez Island, August 15, 1929.

Waldo R. Schmitt
Washington, D.C., U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Schmitt,

I received your good letter of 27 March, whom I give thanks infinite and fast to answer.

I see you writing good article in the National Geographic Magazine, but the two copies you announce me, no received again Till to day. Would be sensible the loss of to them in the Post Office. I like better to think that you not being able to send them, but that will arrive. Shortly.

Would be very sensible that no, because this copies will be precious for me, for the published there as long as remembrance of a very good friend whom is you.

Question of Tourisme, your article be able to make much propaganda and so, when shortly is leaving U.S.A. the Steamer "City of Los Angeles" travelling to South-America would be very good would come little (that is to say) two or three days in Juan Fernandez. In the diary of Chili is announced itself travels and the itinerary, but not mentioning the Island.
Here the Island progressing: Has a new Wireless in the centre of the Population at the side of the Red Cross. The Government think to make much for the Island. Soon, we shall have several Companies of Fishing, killing so the empire of a disastrous Monopoly. Also, The Pacific Steam Navigation Co. thing to build a hotel for tourists, because you know they (P.S.N.C.) every year making at least one voyage and sometimes two.

Has been very agreeable for me the notice coming back a scientific expedition. I hope that she not will fail to visit Juan Fernandez and that I shall be able to take part to her, because you know interest me very much this questions scientific and I regret not to be able to give more assistance except solely the few that I have made when the learned men of U.S. I have came at my house but notwithstanding my poverty I have made all the possible, and I hope that some day the good God paying me.

The other day I have a letter to Pasadena (California) of a Mr. Benjamin W. Hahn. I writing to the person and neareastly I shall send the asked. If you wish seeds also (seeds of Tangle
and charity you write me other time and after I send some seeds to you.

Mr. Benjamin W. Hahn wrote me in English and I answering also in English. Now I write to you equal for to practise a little. Is possible that my English not to be very correct but at the least has the will of to want to understand other nations.

Pardon me the all mistakes and pray to the good God to make to go in my head the English.

The people of the Island always more or less equal with little differences but with the sole virtue not to recall those that occasionally call at the Island. I think one millionaire coming here and giving to each one fortune, the Islander’s giving thanks and next day they sick nearly of the same carelessness. But have you with the remembrance of your friend that never forget to you and to Mr. William Flasemor Bryant.

The man Vergara was going to Valparaiso plenty time and I not know the address.
I hope your good wishes accomplished that any day we see us in Florida and this favour allowing him to you your fellow of room here. The Virgin Immaculate of Condes of whom we keep holiday to day.

Hallo! You agree the party of checkers and laugh you? I am not playing more after your departure but I am not despair of that the first game will be with you and at that time take care sir, and during study if not I make you pea soup gambling checkers.

All’s in the house with very good health and wishing the same thing for you and your family.. All’s thanking to you your good caress for all’s and corresponding them. Plenty time we agree you when the boy’s playing with toys you bendes as present.

Alright! M. Schmidt! Welcome for you and your family the best and most remembrances of yours friends of Juan Fernandez

Salute you
A letter of shoes in the night of Christmas.

[Signature]

Geo. Dinand, P.O.
Juan Fernandez, Island.
Chili.
South America.
Sr. Waldo L. Schmit

A última hora, marché a Duran a una confesión de enfermos.

Después de no hallarme a la 3 more.

Mañana puede hallarme por la mañana o a esta misma hora.

P. C Toledo
Sept. 26, 1923.

Mr. Arthur T. Evans,
Professor of Botany,
Miami University,
Oxford, Ohio.

My dear Professor Evans:

When you write on the subject of Crusoe's Isle you touch upon one very near my heart. I too should love to revisit that place, better equipped than when I was there the first time. There is a great deal of marine biology yet awaiting investigation. The botany has been worked at on a number of occasions and the latest report upon it is that of Carl Skottsberg, Paper No. 7, of Part 2, Vol. II, Botany, "The Natural History of Juan Fernandez and Easter Island", Uppsala 1922 (Almquist & Wiksell's Boktryckeri-A.-B.): "The Phanerogams of the Juan Fernandez Islands". As complete as his collections may have been, the fact remains that his specimens are all in Swedish herbaria, and that probably this country has next to nothing from those islands.

My own interest being zoological, I got practically nothing in the plant line excepting a few ferns for our Mr. Mazon.

If you could get Skottsberg's report, you may be able to determine the time of year better than from any word of mine. All I know is that the month of December, which I spent on the island, was a most delightful time. From your point of view your visit should be timed so as to get most of the things in the flowering state, and that you will be able to ascertain from the remarks that Skottsberg has made on his collections. He also gives a bibliography, which will indicate the principal work that has been done there. If you are able to raise the funds to consummate your desires, I shall be glad to tell you what I know of life on Juan Fernandez, which isn't much. They are not equipped to handle visitors. The tourists who see the place come on an excursion steamer which serves as their home during the one day they have on the island.

If you haven't much botanical literature bearing on the place at Oxford, it might pay you to come to Washington before you finally enter in upon your trip. We haven't everything here, but still enough to make it worth your while.

Sincerely,

Waldo L. Schmitt
Curator of Marine Invertebrates
September 7, 1928

Mr. Wards L. Schmitt
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Schmitt:

I have read with absorbing interest your article, "A Voyage to the Island Home of Robinson Crusoe" in the current issue of the National Geographic. My interest was heightened by the fact that I have for some time planned a botanical trip to this island. My interest in writing to you is to inquire as to its possibilities from a botanical standpoint. Many botanists have visited it but I wonder whether or not it may have been well studied. Any information you may be able to give me will be appreciated. What time of year would offer the best possibilities? I am not clear yet how my trip may be financed but I am very interested in getting there or nearby islands.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Very truly yours,

Arthur Evans
Professor of Botany
Montevideo Mayo 13/92

Mi estimado y buen amigo W. Schmitt:

He tenido el mayor placer de recibir su atenta carta, donde me partícipa su venida a esta.

En este momento vengo a hablar con el Senor Consul Americano, y esperamos que no tenga la mabiliad de indicarnos el día exacto de su venida a esta; así tendríamos el mayor placer de prepararle un buen
Mado al asador y unas pasteles iguales a los que ya cortaste gusto y placer. Corrió en Muldonado —

Au revoir.

F. Felippe

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P. S. — Conteste pronto.
Dr. Florentino Felippone
Avenida 18 de Julio, 1871
Montevideo

Buenos Aires, 15 de Enero, 1871

Señor Dr. W. Schmitt.

Mi muy estimado amigo.

He tenido el mayor placer de recibir su atenta carta de Julio 28; como también, el anuncio del envío de los números del Matutinos que le había encargado.

La carta me impresionó vivamente al saber que tendremos nuevamente el placer de verte por aquí; y desearémos que su estada no será tan rápida, para que nos prive de pasar unos buenos momentos en compañía de su familia, y hacerle saborear nuevamente, esas croquetas que tanto le dan gusto. Podremos agregar a este plato, uno más criollo: un asado de ternera al asador!!

Esperamos que esta vez, nos comunique el día y hora en que Vdl llegue a Montevideo, para saludarlo, y poderle hablar en Español que supongo lo hablará muy bien.

Muy estimado amigo Dr. Davis, le hemos tenido muy enfermo; pero ahora felizmente, está fuera de peligro, y me encarga saludarle en su nombre, con saludos de mi hijas y míos me repito de Vdl.

Su amigo

F. Felippone
My Very Esteemed Friend:

I have had the greatest pleasure in receiving your attentive letter of July 28, as well as the announcement of sending the numbers of the Nautilus which I had committed to your care.

The letter thrilled me by letting me know that we shall again have the pleasure to see you down this way; and we shall hope that your stay will not be so brief as to deprive us of the pleasure of having you pass some happy moments in the company of my family, and making you again enjoy those croquettes which pleased you so much. To that dish we could add one more indigenous, -- a roast of veal on the spit!!

We hope that this time you will let us know the day and hour when you will arrive at Montevideo, so that we may greet you and be able to speak to you in Spanish, which I suppose you will speak very well.

Our friend Mr. Davis we have had very sick; but now happily he is out of danger, and charges me to salute you in his name.

With greetings from my daughters and myself I repeat that I am your friend,

F. Felippone.
da al estimado amigo Dr. Cristóbal Hicken y tiene el gusto de presentarle al distinguido naturalista Dr. W. Schmitt, que se ocupa del estudio de Cristales de Montevideo X.11-13-925.
Doctor Florentino Felippone
Salu

Year 1519
da a su viejo amigo.

Y llega D. B. Hegarrenó

y tiene el mayor placer de presentarle, al Dr. W. Schmitt, que desde el Brasil viene recorrer las costas estu...
diciendo Campejo etc. y pasó su en ese foco para viéntan tras costas —

Doctor Florentino Felippone

Montevideo xii-13-926

Yaro 1519
May I have the pleasure of your company on a trip I am making to Maldonado & Punta del Este on Sunday the 15th. inst. Both these districts are very appropriate for your studies. I shall be glad if you will let me know your decision as soon as possible so as to enable me to take out your ticket. I already have mine. I shall be at the museum until 5.45 p.m. to where you can forward your reply. Should you decide to accompany me, I will call for you at the hotel in a taxi at 5 a.m. but you should be ready to leave at once as no time can be lost.
Sept 17th, 1928.

Dr. Schmidt, S.

Dear Sir:

I am about to thank you for your letter of the 24th date, and send you this box of welcome to South America—I chose to the North American Counsel about your luggage, which has not yet arrived.
Yours in faithful
F. Felippone

Palle Zabbbna
1519
Doctor Florentino Felippone has the pleasure of inviting his esteemed friend Waldo B. Schmitt to lunch at his residence in Calle Yaro 1519, almost corner of 18 de Julio on

Yaro 1519
Sunday morning next the 22nd inst. at 12:30 p.m.
Dear Mr. Melbye,

Mr. Felippone has given me the box from Kelliger.

G. Frick, Fr. yon.

I shall see you on Monday, am leaving Monday night. Sunday morning.

Walter Elias
Doctor Florentino Felippone
Dr. Florentino Felippone
Montevideo


Waldon Smitt Esq.
Washington
U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

I duly received your esteemed letter of the 15th. May last, and am pleased to learn that you arrived back quite safe, although I was very sorry to hear of your loss on arrival, of documents, cash, etc.

I believe you are thinking of going abroad again, if so where? will you be visiting us here again? if so kindly let me know to meet you on arrival.

You are amply excused for not writing sooner and you know you have a true friend in me who will always be ready and willing to assist you in all that is possible.

So hoping to hear from you when you have time to write and with best wishes from my daughters and Mr. Davis,

I remain, Dear Mr. Smitt,

Very sincerely yours,

Calle Yarbo
1519

[Signature]

Florentino Felippone
Nº 3140

Rio de Janeiro, 30 de Junho de 1925

P.S. Commandante do Paquete "Santo"

A-lo Commandante do Paquete "Santo"

Seu esta porém reconheço

dar o sr. Dr. Waldo P. Schmitt, professor

naturalista em comissão científica,

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Governador Brazi. Ao Dr. Waldo P. Schmitt

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ções a que tiver direito pela sua presença.

Além disso, recebida

Sua bagagem não se lhe há é desen.

Excesso Valores.

Laudares

S. J. P. L. Ribeiro.
Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt, 
Curator of Marine Invertebrates, 
S.I.U.S. National Museum, 
Washington D. C.

My dear Dr. Schmitt:

I want to thank you for your letter of September 16th and for remembering about my "Chesterfields" which should arrive in due course - it is earnestly hoped their fate will not be that of your mail. Have settled with the Libreria "El Globo" for you and await your instructions re disposition of chest of bottles (empty ones, are they?).

The winter was very mild consequently the sheep are thriving and the lambing this Spring is reported to have been unusually prolific in spite of the beastly gales. Have not stirred from the city since we arrived but am looking forward to a few excursions during shearing season.

The first and last letter received from Stevenson, dated in July, stated he had resigned from the Consular Service to go to Havana for the Dept of Commerce.

The British passenger steamer Orita which recently passed through here encountered many icebergs on its way from Montevideo to Port Stanley as far north as 41 S. latituded. One of the British whalers is reported as having been wrecked and lost in the ice flows farther south.
GALE

There is a bitterly cold wind blowing flurries of snow as I write and when you receive this you may, very likely, be experiencing the same in Washington as I did last December. I suppose all the city is dressed up for Christmas. Washington certainly presents a most striking festive appearance during December, and I can safely wish you and yours a very Merry Christmas, because I know you can't escape the Xmas Spirit in Washington.

If you must write officially sometimes, please pencil a memorandum with a little bit of official gossip of what's going on in that center of international and national political market.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

Sincerely

John T. Garvin
November 5, 1926.

Dr. E. S. Goodhue,
Hooliehun, Molokai,
Hawaii.

My dear Dr. Goodhue:

I know of no more delightful place to vegetate and enjoy life than Juan Fernandez, but I could scarcely recommend it to a couple who would like to retire to a peaceful, earthly paradise.

The place is utterly without modern conveniences, as we civilised people understand them, and like many garden spots has its drawbacks. If you know California in September you will know how unpleasant fleas can be. Climatically and otherwise Juan Fernandez is much like some parts of California, though moister and with a far richer flora. Had I no other ambitions I could enjoy spending my days there but how I would feel about it when older would be another matter. One would practically have to import house and furniture and plumbing, also means of access are next to impossible except for one who wants to rough it unless you wait for the once-yearly excursion steamer. Anyone who contemplates settling down there should first make the excursion trip. This comes either before or after Christmas and is conducted by the Pacific Steam Navigation Company or the Royal Mail Packet, either of which I am sure maintain agencies in Honolulu.

I am sorry I cannot give you more encouragement, but nevertheless Juan Fernandez is surely the garden spot of South America.

Sincerely yours,

Waldo L. Schmitt
Curator of Marine Invertebrates.

WLS/nks
Hilo, Hawaii.
Island of Molokai.
Hawaii, Oct 11 1928.

Dwight L. Schrieff
Washington D.C.

Dear Malto:

An American couple have been asking me to write you regarding San Juan Fernandez (Robinson Crusoe Island) (of which you have written to me). In the September "Prospect", to ascertain if they could secure a location on the island for a home.

More inquiries are coming!...

Dwight Settles
a home where the climate or mild
need. Conditions favor of to "simple
were once native home, in other word,
they wish to get away for
for the modern era, I had
and Hawaii to modern

your love

E. K. Hoolehua

E. S. Goodhue & Co
Hoolehua
Moloa'ai
T. H.
August 29, 1923.

Mr. Waldo S. Schmitt,  
Smithsonian Institution,  
United States National Museum,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of August 28th, we take pleasure in enclosing Booklet S and other literature descriptive of our South America Service.

We have had quite a few travelers from the Smithsonian Institution and have always made it a point, through our own offices in every port and city in South America, to assist them in every way possible in connection with their expeditions.

If there is any further information which you may desire and which is not covered by the enclosures we will be pleased to hear from you.

Yours very truly,

GRACE LINE

F. P. Falkner

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HHG.K
February 23, 1929

Mr. Ralph A. Graves, Asst. Editor
National Geographic Magazine
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Graves:

I have enclosed a copy of my letter to Mr. Bahn for your files if you desire it. I'm wondering if you'd be interested in seeing other letters, some of them rather funny, that I have received, asking about Juan Fernandez?

I am still very appreciative of your publication of the account.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Waldo L. Schmitt,
Curator of Marine Invertebrates.

Enc.
February 15, 1929.

Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
Curator of Marine Invertebrates,
National Museum,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Schmitt:

I am enclosing copy of a letter received from Mr. Benjamin W. Hehn of Pasadena, California. I shall appreciate the courtesy if you will furnish him the information which he requests, if it is readily available to you.

Sincerely yours,

Ralph A. Graves

G.FB.
August 12th, 1926.

Mr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
c/o Smithsonian Institution,
United States National Museum,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:—

We have your letter of August 10th, in reference to some small Alcoholmeters with a range from fifty to ninety-five percent alcohol, and are pleased to advise that we will make up three of these instruments for you and will have them ready by August 18th, at which time you state you will call for them personally.

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Falkland Islands
18/11/27

Dear Dr. Schmitt,

Very many thanks for allowing me to peruse your book and other publications—
they are over my head in most places naturally, but some parts interested
me greatly. I am sorry that I had so little opportunity of seeing you
whilst you have been here—possibly you or some friends will be
down this way again, in which case,
I Hope I shall see more of you

Yours sincerely

W. H. Graham

PS. I should very much appreciate any
published results of your researches down
this way or any descriptions of marine
invertebrates—it is an interesting hobby
especially the microscopic forms. Naturally I should wish to pay for anything you send me.

H. A. P. Gresham
Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
Curator of Marine Invertebrates,
Smithsonian Institution,
U. S. National Museum,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Doctor Schmitt:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 2 enclosed with the eleven negatives which you have made available to us in addition to the eighteen that you gave me on Friday. We are having enlargements made of all these negatives in the laboratory now and as soon as we are through with them I will see that they are returned to you.

I have made a note of your request about payment to Camden L. McLain, American Consul in Concepcion, Chile, for any of his pictures which may be published with your article, and also that the pictures which are at present credited "from" you were taken in your camera.

With kind regards, I am

Yours very sincerely,

[Signature]

Editorial Staff
Rio de Janeiro, 13. X. 1925

Sein lieber Herr Schmidt!

Ich danke Ihnen herzlich für Ihren letzten Brief vom 30. v. Mts. und die Fotos.

Sie können mir englisch schreiben, da ich so alles gut verstehe und ich denke auch, dass Sie deutsch lesen können.

Ich höre schon in Pelotas von einem Reisenden, der mit uns an Bord der Cst. Aleidio bis Rio Grande reiste, dass Sie keine Fahrkarte mehr bekommen hätten, aber ohne Ticket an Bord der Brundine de Korais gegangen sind. Das hätte ich auch gemacht, denn die Agentur des
Lloyd hat geschlossen, obwohl es mir, dass Sie den Dampfer nicht verpassen konnten.

Oft hat er auch an die schönen Reistage gedacht, die wir gemeinsam hatten, besonders mit dem 8 tägigen Rückruf so sehr einander war.

Hier in Rio ist es jetzt immer sehr heiß. Der Himmel ist fast 34-36° Reaumur d.h. mit über 40° Celsius.

Der Brief habe ich noch nicht kassieren können, Hoffe aber, ihn loswerden. Es ist mir eine Freude geworden Ihnen in dem Fallzumal geworden zu sein.


Indem ich Ihnen ein frohes Weihnachtsfest wünsche, bin ich mit herzlichen Grüßen

Ihr Gustav Hoff
February 23, 1929

Mr. Benjamin H. Hahn
Suite 608, Pacific-Southwest Bldg.
Pascagoula,
Mississippi

My dear Mr. Hahn:

Mr. Craven, Editor of the National Geographic Society, has kindly forwarded your letter to me for reply.

The plant is Guamae mactuareae Skottsberg, named after the "farther out" of the several islands forming the Juan Fernandez group. This is the least visited of the islands, though the fishermen visit at least once a year for the lobsters that abound there. It may be that through you could get some seeds. Skottsberg got unripe fruits toward the end of February. In case you wish to write for seeds, I would suggest addressing Senor René Durand, Juan Fernandez, Chile, stating your desires. The native name is Pangue, but you must state that you want the extremely large leaved form that grows on Mactuaera, and that you hope the fishermen might be able to get you some seeds on occasion of their next trip to that island. Further, I would advise you to have your letter put in French or Spanish, so there can be no misunderstanding of your wants.

I doubt if it would be possible to bring up a living plant unless personally conducted, even though they are perennial herbs. In Bailey's Encyclopedia of Horticulture, there are a few words about related cultivated species, but, as might be expected, the Juan Fernandez species are not mentioned. A rootstock, I should think, would scarcely survive the shipment to the States.

I am unsure that any of the plants have ever been successfully brought out, or exist in botanic gardens. Numerous attempts have been made to introduce the unusual plants of the islands, particularly the large tree ferns, on the mainland, but they never did well and soon succumbed to the drier climate of central Chile. Of course, in well equipped botanical gardens in a region like yours, where freezes and killing frosts do not occur, proper conditions could always be provided. I do not think that a canvass of other botanic gardens would show this species grown elsewhere than in their native home.

I am sorry that I cannot give you more encouragement, for, though the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, with a branch office in
Los Angeles, runs once yearly excursions to Juan Fernandez proper, or Masafuera, the distance to Masafuera is too great to enable one to make a flying trip during the few hours that the excursion steamer lies in Cumberland Bay. No, Masafuera is virtually inaccessible except to special expeditions.

If you would like any further information, I shall be glad to give you what I can.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Waldo L. Schmitt,
Curator of Marine Invertebrates.
The National Geographic Magazine,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

In the September, 1928, volume of your magazine, page 353, is an article written by Waldo L. Schmitt, Curator of the National Museum, Smithsonian Institute, entitled "A Voyage to the Island Home of Robinson Crusoe".

On page 368 is a picture showing some large leaf plants. I very much desire the name of these large plants, and whether or not it would be possible to get one of them. I would also like to know whether these plants grow in the United States, and if so, where.

We are starting a Botanical Garden here in Pasadena, and desire to have a specimen of this plant.

Thanking you in advance for this courtesy, I beg to remain

Very respectfully yours,

(Signed) Benj. H. Hahn
the frog comes from Estancia Laguna del Oro
Territorio de Santa Cruz Argentine
near Pueblo Ness
Montevideo.
November 17, 1925.

Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt
Hotel del Globo,
Montevideo.

My dear Sir:

I beg to enclose herewith a copy of a telegram dated November 17th, from the American Ambassador at Rio de Janeiro relative to the shipment of your crates.

I am my dear Sir,

Yours very truly,

LYRON A. HOFER,
First Secretary.
LITERAL TEXT
TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM AMERICAN EMBASSY
RIO DE JANEIRO.
November 17, 11 a.m. 1925.

Amlegation
Montevideo
November 17 9 am
For Schmitt
Crates shipped this morning care of purser
steamship VESTRIS
Morgan
September 27, 1923.

Mr. Arthur F. Hughes, Ph. M. U.S.N.,
Medical Headquarters, U.S.N.T.S.,
Great Lakes, Ill.

My dear Mr. Hughes:

I am afraid I will not be able to give you the encouragement you would like to have regarding the possibility of obtaining the position of Health Officer to the people of Juan Fernandez. There are a few less than three hundred people on the island, poor folks who could not support a doctor. Otherwise, I don't believe the Chilean government would give the position to the citizen of another country, if they could ever be persuaded to create such a position for so small a colony. My experience in South American countries has been that they like to reserve the medical practice within any country for their own natives, and many of the Latin American republics have laws to that effect, from which they kindly exempted foreign physicians who were already established prior to the passage of the law.

However, I am not in a position to tell you definitely what the prospects may or may not be. I would suggest that you write the American Consul, Mr. Carl T. Deichman, at Valparaiso, Chile. Either he, or the American Ambassador at Santiago can tell you more definitely than I.

It is of interest to me to know that your wife's name is spelled like my own. My forbears came from Bavaria in Germany, and it may be if hers came from the same place that we might be distantly related.

I will say that the slight knowledge of the German language that I have stood me in good stead in traveling in South America. A great many Germans have settled in all parts of South America, and one of the oldest families on Juan Fernandez is named Schiller and they still speak very excellent German.

My regards to you and Mrs. Hughes!

Sincerely,

Waldo L. Schmitt
Curator of Marine Invertebrates.
Mr. Waldo L. Schmitt, Ph.D.
National Museum,
Smithsonian Institution.

Dear Sir;

I have read your article on the island of Juan Fernandez, it was a very interesting, and in it was a small item that interested me most, it was the fact that the island had no doctor but did have a very well equipped medical office and first aid station, now I have had nine years of just that kind of work and also a very good knowledge of dental work, I was doctor for over 1000 people down in American Samoa for over nineteen months and my naval service will be up in June next year, and I am leaving the service and I though it might be possible to get the position of Health Officer for the people of this island, what I would like to know is, can you give me any help in finding out just who to write to about this, I am married but have no children as yet, my wife's name was Schmitt so I won't easily forget your's, if you can give me this information I am sure it will help me a great deal.

Thanking you in advance

I remain

Your's Truely

Mr. Arthur F. Hughes Ph.M. U.S.N.
Medical Hunters, U.S.N.T.S.
Great Lakes,
Ill.
Feb 11, 1928.

My dear Mr. Schmitt.

It was a pleasant surprise to get your kind letter and those nice Photos which are a reminder of a very happy voyage. I have left New York since my return home, but I am looking forward for a possible trip to old Europe next summer. We are all well here, hoping the same of yourself. Thanks for again.

Sincerely yours,

Dear Lewick,

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July 17, 1925.

Mr. A. J. Sherman,
3 United Steamship and Travel Service,
Transportation Building,
Seventeenth and H Streets N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Sherman:-

We have inquired of the Pacific Line from a personal friend of the writer's and he tells us that the Pacific Line have temporarily abandoned the service around Cape Horn as there is not enough business by that route at present to make it worth while to operate steamers. There are steamers, however, of an Argentine Line leaving Buenos Aires about every ten days via the Falkland Island to Punta Arenas and up to Valapraio, the first class fare being 550 Argentine Dollars which is equal to about 2250 U. S. Currency.

We says that it is sometimes necessary to change steamers at Punta Arenas and wait over for some days and that no one takes the trip by this route now unless for business purposes.

We trust this will give you the information desired and awaiting your further advices, we remain,

Very truly yours,

LIFSEY TOURS INC.

By: [Signature]

Rt. P.M.
HAWAIIAN FEATHER CAPE
Hawaiian Feather Cape.

Cloaks like this of red and yellow feathers were worn by the nobles; capes of red feathers by priests, and those entirely of yellow feathers by royals alone. The feathers came from three species of honey-suckers peculiar to the islands. Each bird furnished only a small number of feathers, those most prized being the tuft under the wings. Considering the value put upon the feathers and the time required for making a cape, the one shown represents a value of $500,000.

But, my dear Mr. Schmitt

Robinson Crusoe wasn't within 1,000 miles of Juan Fernandez.

Adiue
Lieber Freund Schmitt!


So lang bei unserem einzigen Ex. ein Gehilfe, mit der nötigen Pensionszusage "Sancho". Ob es nicht einmal vermehrte worden ist, ich freilich nicht unmöglich.

Ich könnte jetzt bald eine Arbeit fertig über die brasilianischen Pseudiden (Coleoptera). Es war ein gründlicher Verzog, welche so bald es möglich war. Dazu die Arbeit von Kummer, welche nur jedem Punkt mehr oder weniger ein neues Attribut, das alles interessierte die Besinnung angemessen.

Hier ist sonnt alle in Ordnung.

In der Hoffnung, dass Diese Zeilen Sie bei besten Wohlbefinden aufnehmen und mit der Bitte, mich Herr H. Rehb. gut empfretin zu wollen, verbleibe mit besten Grüßen

Ihr

H. Niederwalde.
Uma, Sr.

Jr. Waldo L. Schmitt,

% consulado americano,

Montevideo,

Uruguay

Santo,

Consulado americano,
S. Paulo, 30. XII. 25

Lieber Herr Doktor!


Gross
Ihr
H. Luderwaldt.
REPARTIÇÃO GERAL DOS TELEGRAPHOS

Telegramma

Sr. W. Schmidt
Setor Consulado Americano

De
Santo
N. 4774
Pis.
Data
Hora

Vento dia quinze

Luiz der Waldt
My dear Mr. Schmitt:

I am very glad to have your letter of October 21, 1927, with which you were good enough to send a pamphlet from the National Geographic Society.

With regard to photographs of Juan Fernández, upon the receipt of your previous letter I sent you ten negatives, and a further search has brought forth five more which might be of some use to you. Like almost all which I have already sent you, I doubt if these will be of use to you, nevertheless I am pleased to have the opportunity to be of service to you.

While I made some thirty exposures most of them were uninteresting. I suppose you got a good one of the cave and the bronze plaque, and perhaps of the city. If so, I shall probably ask you to kindly let me have the negatives upon my next trip to Washington so that I can have some photographs made suitable for framing. I hope to be up there next June or July, and hope to see you at that time.

With all good wishes and trusting that I shall soon have the pleasure of seeing your article on the National Geographic, I am

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]
American Consular Service

American Consulate General,
Callao - Lima, Perú,
October 9, 1926

Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt
Salaverry.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter sent from Guayaquil, I take pleasure in forwarding you, by registered mail, care of the American Consular Agency at Salaverry, seven letters sent to this office. Please take due note that there are two certified packages at the Lima Post Office addressed to you, to be called for personally.

Very sincerely yours

George A. Makinson
American Consul in charge.

Note: Upon your arrival I shall be pleased to arrange interviews with the Government Officials you are interested to speak with.
Dear Doctor Schmitt:

We have submitted your two accounts to Mr. N. W. Dorsey, Disbursing Agent of the Smithsonian Institution, and have been sorry to find that in his opinion they are not sufficiently supported by receipted bills to make it possible to pass them through the auditing office. He thinks that arrangement can be made for the Smithsonian to reimburse you from one of its funds, to which then the National Zoological Park would pay for the animals as a purchase.

Will you please see Mr. Dorsey and give him any further information that he may need from you.

Very truly yours,

W. M. Mann,
Director.

Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
U. S. National Museum,
Washington, D. C.
March 2, 1929

Dr. W. H. Mann,
Director of the National Zoological Park,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Dr. Mann:

With this I send you the statements of the expenses incurred in the course of my South American trip in obtaining the rhea and the snakes recently delivered to you. Until the present time, I have scarcely had the opportunity to prepare these accounts, and though I realise the notice is rather short before your leaving for Africa, I hope that you will be able to settle these matters before your departure. Turning in my accounts to Mr. Morrey and settling with Dr. Ketaz for an advance that made the rhea possible, must of necessity await my reimbursement from the Zoo. The cost of the rhea should have covered twelve birds, but unfortunately at the last minute only six living ones were obtainable, though a total of seventeen had been caught to make even this small number possible. The several bills that I have, covering certain items, are enclosed.

The rhea should be acknowledged to Dr. Daniel Garcia Acevedo, c/o American Consul at Montevideo, Uruguay. In spite of the apparent high cost, he should be given a very warm acknowledgment. Another year it will be possible to secure additional birds at a comparatively small additional expense. One of the two cages I had built is in storage at Montevideo. Do write him a very appreciative letter. He is a good friend of the American colony and speaks English. His acquaintance is well worth cultivating, and surely will stand museum workers calling at Montevideo, in good stead.

The snakes should be acknowledged to Dr. Vital Brasil, Director Instituto de Cerumbiologia, Batután, São Paulo, Brasil. These snakes are a gift from the Institute to the Smithsonian Institution for the Zoological Park, and in return Dr. Brasil would welcome exchanges of American snakes, living, if obtainable, or alcoholised, if not. In particular, he is extremely anxious to obtain a living Gila monster, as I have already mentioned to you. This I assured him would be forwarded at the first opportunity, and to that end I hope you will arrange with the State Department to have the first one of their officers travelling in that direction, convey the animal to São Paulo. Dr. Brasil and his Institute should be most assiduously cultivated, because they will always be a ready source of living South American reptiles, and it will be easy to replenish your supply at any time by calling on them, if of course, we continue to maintain cordial relations. Batután is one of the foremost and the best known scientific institutions in Brazil next to Oswaldo Cruz Laboratory in Rio.

Here's hoping you will be able to settle these accounts more promptly than I rendered them.

Sincerely,

Wls:c
### EXPENSES INCURRED OBTAINING RHEAS.

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<td>Telegram to Hudson Line, N.Y. re free freight</td>
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Uruguayan pesos $400.78
American dollars 413.76

(Exchange $ = 96.35¢ Uru.)

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<td>Steward, keeper</td>
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### Expenses Incurred Obtaining Snakes

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**Notes:**
- Summer 1926
- 154.50 = 300 milreis (Brazilian)
- 14.8% = 70 American dollars
- 1.49 water bottles
- New York & Washington

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**500**
July 30, 1925.

My dear Schmidt:

I did not find you at the Museum to say good-bye, so am writing to wish you a good voyage and a pleasant trip. You should have a very good time in the part of the world that you are going, and I quite envy you.

Should you be able to get any of the animals that we spoke of, it would be very nice for the Zoo. You are going into the South American ostrich country, and also probably where penguins live. If you could secure and ship to us any of these, they would be very valuable for our collection. Any size and any number of penguins, and any number of small rheas, would be exceedingly valuable to us.

If you touch Ceara, call on Dr. Francisco Diaz de Rocha, who has a private museum there from which you might be able to obtain some of the material useful to you.

Reminding you again that anything that creeps or crawls is wanted by the Zoo, and also that we will be very glad to reimburse you for any expense incurred in getting material, and wishing you a pleasant voyage,

Very sincerely yours,

WM. M. MANN
Superintendent

Dr. W. S. Schmidt,
Steamship "Western World",
Munson Line,
Pier No. 1,
Hoboken, New Jersey.

P.S.-- Live stock coming to New York should be sent in care of--

Louis Ruhe,
351 Bowery,
New York City.
A solicitud del Sr. Consul General de Norte América D. Carl Deichman, dése las facilidades necesarias por las policías dependientes de esta Jerarquía al Sr. Waldo L. Schmitt quien practica en este país algunas investigaciones científicas para el Museo Nacional de los Estados Unidos de Norte América.

Valparaíso, Noviembre 19 de 1926.
American Consular Service

Montevideo, Uruguay, December 1, 1926.

Dr. Waldo L. Schmidt,
American Consulate General,
Valparaiso, Chile.

Dear Doctor:

I was pleased indeed to have your undated letter giving me your plans regarding your visit to the Falkland Islands, Punta Arenas, and Montevideo.

When you arrive in the Port of Montevideo you will find a new consul. We have been transferred to Sydney, Nova Scotia, for which post we shall be leaving in January or February.

The fishing for marine invertebrates ought to be very good around Nova Scotia, and I have no doubt we will see you either there or in Washington within a year or two.

I sent jars and formaldehyde, purchased at my own expense, with the whalers in order to obtain for you a collection of whale parasites from South Georgia and South Shetland. I shall not be in Montevideo when these parasites are received, but Dr. Tinsley will see that
that they are forwarded to you at the National Museum. I mention this fact as I want you to know that these parasites were obtained through my efforts and not through those of some one else.

Yours very truly,

C. Gaylor Marsh,
American Consul.

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885.91/840.6
Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
Curator of Marine Invertebrates,
National Museum,
Washington, D.C.

My dear Dr. Schmitt:

I have received your letter of July 28, 1926, and we are pleased to know that we shall see you again soon.

I shall speak to Bill Shorter regarding the ostriches, and I shall call soon on Dr. Tremoleras in the hopes of obtaining bottles for the whale parasites. I feel sure that I shall be able to get you a pretty good collection of those parasites, as I am on very good terms with the whalers. Thanks for the picture of the black corvina.

Evidently you have seen Dr. Nettl calf recently.

The grass business is at a stand-still, as it is the off-season. We shall start out again soon and try for new specimens.

Don't fail to let me know if I can be of assistance to you during your new expedition to Uruguay. A Mr. Nichols of the Field Museum is now here studying agates, and he seems to be getting some good material.

Sincerely,

C. Gaylord Marsh
American Consul
The Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland

61 Parker Hill Avenue,
Boston, Mass.,
July 24th, 1926

Dear Dr. Schmitt:

Have you read The Casting Away of Mrs. Leeks and Mrs. Aleshina and its sequel The Du-
santes? If not get them and read them, giving especial attention to the way the "ginger jar" with the board money passed back and forth between Mrs. Leeks and Mr. Dusant. For fear the U. S. mail service would break down, as it threatened to do in their case, I'll not send you back your money order, but six per cent. on $200.00 for six months seems to me to come to six dollars. I'll buy a bunch of flowers with it for the baby and tell her it is the fruit of unlawful usury.

The best of success to you on your trip. If you see Turner, Valparaiso Y. M. C. A., and Mrs. Turner, give them my cordial regards. They are the salt of the Earth. Anderson, also connected with the Y. M. C. A., is a keen fellow and a driver. If you happen to meet him remember me to him with many good wishes.

I envy you your chance to renew acquaintance with the Marshes.

Faithfully yours

[Signature]
Dear S. Wald Schmidt

I am sending you a small bottle of Bouin’s fluid prepared here in the Institute. I enclose the formula and a letter to my friend in the U.S., Alipio de Miranda Filho. I am
Trying to arrange some crab from Copacabana for you.

Very truly yours,

Cash Munez

13-VIII-1925

When you intend to go to the Museum first ask by the telephone if Mirando, 4th Ave. 98 is there or who he will be there with.
My Dear S. Schmitt

I have received yours of the 19th

I am sending you a bottle with a crustacean collected by me in Copacabana.

I have pleasure to give them to your attention. You know the letter introductory

to friends of S. Francisco, Florinaga.
and oat meal which will be useful to you when you will your. Very sincerely yours,

Carl W.-...
Ilustre colega e amigo Sr. Paulino Horn,

Florianópolis,

Te dou o prazer de apresentar-lhe o Sra. Waldo L. Schmitt, naturalista viajante do Museu Nacional dos Estados Unidos, auente de que o amigo facilidade-rá a missão, que lhe o mesmo
hospede a esse Estado, autorizo
lle os meus agradecimentos &

Amós Velloz

Sincero

Rio, 17 - VIII - 25.
My dear O Wald Schmidt,

I called today at 2 p.m. to see you but you were out; yesterday I was myself also out for a marriage and did not have the pleasure to see you.

If you think that I can do something to help you in your work, I am at your disposal everyday at the
Instituto Biológico from 12 h 6 h. p.m. (street car Praia Vermelha) To find me at home please let me know

Carlos Moreira

DIRECTOR DO INSTITUTO BIOLÓGICO DE DEFESA AGRÍCOLA
Alguem cara Boetee

Saúde,

Tenho a satisfação de te apresentar o Sr. Waldo L. Schmitt, naturalista viçente do Museu Nacional dos Estados Unidos, breve de que facilitarão a minha viagem, que leve o nosso hospede a esse Estado, antecipe-te os meus
agradecimentos,
Abraço do seu velho amigo

Aceidol,

17 - VIII - 25.

Prezado Amo. D. Baitscn

Sendo o pedido de novo amigo Amigo,

pedindo-o que auxilie o D. Waldo Schmitt

que vai a esse place em missão científica do

Museu de Washington

D. Amo.

Carl mounting
12-VIII-1825

MINISTERIO DA AGRICULTURA, INDUSTRIA E COMMERGIO
INSTITUTO BIOLOGICO DE DEFESA AGRICOLA
DIRECTORIA

Seu Sr. Dr. Rudolf Schiede.

Saudações.


Carlos Mason
Rev. Harry Preston Midkiff

Director do Instituto Christão

CASTRO

PARANÁ
To dear Mr. Schmidt:

Will you please excuse Carl—he is sick in bed.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Punta Arenas, July 11th 1927

Mr.
Waldo L. Schmidt Ph. D.
United States National Museum.
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr. Schmidt,

Just a few lines to ask you how you are, and what kind of a voyage back you had. Did you find those “camarones” I took to the Hotel for you? If you haven't I'll send you some, I think it could be managed by putting them in a glass jar full of alcohol, and handing it to one of the Captains of one of the American steamers which call here, asking him to post it on his arrival in New York. If you want
some will you please put a few
american stamps in your letter,
for postage from N. York to Washington
of course, I expect you to let me
know how many you want, because
as they are so easy to get, I don’t
want to send more than you’ll
need, (get more or less 200 in 1/2 hour)
also anything else you might like
from this part of the world, I’ll
do my best every time,

Where did you leave the other
chap, Sanders? I wonder if he is
in an asylum yet, when he was
here that was the impression he gave
everybody, Probably that is because
people here are rather slow-speaking
and he was just the opposite.
still I hope he is all right, and if you see him again will you please give him my kind regards. Well, as you will understand, there is not much news about. P. Arenas to put down, were one in the middle of winter (which is to me the best time of the year) and have plenty of skating, although so far this year we have not had enough snow for skating, I am sorry I can’t send you any photographs just now, I sent my machine to Valparaiso about 3 months ago to have it fixed and have
not got it back yet, still I expect it soon, so by the time I receive your answer I shall probably be able to send you some of course, if you would like to have them, I am sure your friends would like to sell them even if you go green in the face each time you see them and remember your visit to P. A. well let us turn to something more cheerful, I believe people in U.S.A. (young) are keen on corresponding with people overseas, would you mind letting some of
them have my address, of course don’t go to any trouble over it, but if you are walking along and sort of fall over the opportunity, please just make the best of it, I would prefer young people (8 to 20) and specially girls. Still really doesn’t matter, you see, as the summer is so bally monotonous out here, I’d like to spend my time on something even if it is only writing letters! —

Well hoping to hear from you soon, and also that yourself & family are quite all right, I am yours truly,

Gilbert Williams
Rio de Janeiro, September 7, 1925.

My dear Mr. Morgan:

I want to thank you for all you have done for me while I have been in Rio. It is just this kindness that makes me hesitate to ask still a further favor of you.

In your garage I still have two crates and one small box of equipment. These I should like to have forwarded to me, care of the American Consul at Montevideo. He already has received three boxes from Washington the same way, and these additional things should cause him very little extra trouble.

Mr. Thomas Stevenson, the local Munson Line agent, has kindly offered to take the crates and box to Montevideo for me on the steamer AMERICAN LEGION, which is due here, I believe, on September 10th, if they are delivered at the dock, ready to put aboard without any strings attached, so to speak. That is, there must be a "guia de exportação" and a Uruguayan consular invoice. Will you not have Mr. Mayer secure these papers for me, and if the goods are delivered to the dock and these two papers to Mr. Stevenson, he will see them through to their destination and mail the papers to the American Consul at Montevideo. I have left, I think, sufficient funds to cover all charges at this end with Mr. Mayer who has kindly consented to look after the necessary drayage and consular fees for me. If you will be so kind as to have this attended to for me, it will
will save me quite a bit of money on shipping charges.

I have written the American Consul at Montevideo of what is being done, with your permission.

Again Mr. Morgan, I give you my very best thanks. With kind regards,

Sincerely,

The Honorable

Edwin V. Morgan,

American Ambassador to Brasil.
Rio de Janeiro, 3 de Setembro de 1925.

PARA QUEM INTERESSAR POSSA:

Desejo apresentar-vos por intermédio desta carta o Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt, Curador da Secção de Invertebrados Marinhos, no Museu Nacional dos Estados Unidos, de Washington.

Dr. Schmitt que é uma das primeiras autoridades em invertebrados marinhos, é autor de trabalhos científicos sobre crustáceos, os camarões e caranguejos, está se familiarizando com a vida marinha das águas Sul Americanas e coligindo espeçimens para o dito Museu.

O trabalho do Dr. Schmitt seria muito auxiliado si os pescadores quisessem trazê-lo quaesquer espeçimens estranhos ou fora do commun, que por acaso apánhassem em suas pescas. Taes espeçimens serão estudados e classificados em Washington e um colleçao dos estudos em dupilcata, conforme puder ser obtido, devolvido ao Museu Nacional no Rio de Janeiro e outros Museus Brasileiros.

Quaesquer cortezias que possam ser proporcionadas ao Dr. Schmitt serão muito apreciadas.

Edwin V. Morgan,
Embaixador.
My dear Dr. Waldo Schmitt,

I have received your letter March 19 with the good news, that you will come to this country this year. I will do all what I can to help you, to make the best collection possible in short time.

I will give you a letter, that you will come for the president of the Confederation of the fisherman. All the fisherman in this country make a Confederation and the president is the officer of our navy. The Confederation works under the control of the Navy Department.

When you will go south of this, the best is to go on one of our coast steamers and stay in all the ports: Santos, Paranaguá, São Francisco, or Florianópolis and São Paulo.

The price of the above is about 50 cents. The liter (we use the metric system).

I guess it is better to use glass jars or small jars for the small species and big glass or big jar with the cover soldned for the big species. You have to take with you the glass tubes and glass jars, which are very
Dear [Name],

and sometimes you will not find the size which you need. In the tin flat box you have her are not very dear. You will find some in little bottles and not very dear.

The steam trawler discontinued operation and is Santa, so you have to collect yourself assisted beg some boy or fisherman. When you come we will see how you will collect the crustacean.

Please present my compliments and best regards to Mrs. [Name].

Very sincerely yours,

Carlos Winemir
Mr. A. Wetmore, Asst. Secretary
Smithsonian Institution
United States National Museum
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir:

Transportation of Scientific Instruments as Free Excess Baggage for Dr. Waldo L. Schmidt.

In response to your letter of July 24th, we wish to advise that we will be glad to carry the quantity of scientific instruments indicated in your letter of July 24th addressed to our pier at Hoboken, as free excess baggage for Dr. Schmidt by one of the steamers following his sailing on the SS. WESTERN WORLD August 1st.

The foregoing concession is predicated upon our understanding that of course the excess baggage so shipped, will be acceptable material for carriage on passenger steamers.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]
Asst. Passenger Traffic Manager.
Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
Curator of Marine Invertebrates,
Smithsonian Institution,
U. S. National Museum,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Doctor Schmitt:

We have had satisfactory prints made from the 29 negatives, which you have made available for use in connection with your article, and I am, therefore, returning them herewith.

Appreciating your co-operation, I am

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Editorial Staff

29 negatives returned
July 12, 1928.

Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
Curator of Marine Invertebrates,
National Museum,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Schmitt:

In accordance with my telephone conversation with you several days ago, I am enclosing, herewith, page proof of your article on "A Voyage to the Island Home of Robinson Crusoe."

Will you be good enough to give it a thorough check, especially as to scientific names in the legends under the illustrations, none of which you have seen heretofore.

I shall appreciate your cooperation if you will let me have this material at your earliest convenience. If I am not in the office, my associate, Mr. Worth E. Shoultz, will handle it, or if there are any difficulties to be ironed out, perhaps you would prefer to talk with Mr. Simpich, who worked with you on the original draft of the article.

I hope that you will be pleased with the general appearance of the material. I am sure that it will create wide interest among The Geographic's membership.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

GB
CARLOS NEUHOFF
CHEFE DO JARDIM DO MUSEU

Avenida Nazaré, 2
São Paulo

"Ypiranga"
Herrn

Waldemar Schmitt Ph. D.

Washington D. C.

Sehr geehrter Herr Doktor!


Wie Sie wissen, war mir — wie Ihnen Herr Füchtenwald bereits schon mitgeteilt haben wird, wurde ich im Jahre 6 Jahre als Beamter des „Denkmalpfleger für das Deutsche Denkmal, des staatlichen Museums hier in São Paulo verpflichtet und habe wohl, wenn ich es singen darf, diese Arbeit geleistet, welche nicht leicht ist, aber ein ander großen Arbeitstätigkeit und fürsinnlichen gedacht wurde, — wie es auch die Fotografien
Fotografien über sein Bewohnen. Ich hatte noch einige leisten Blumen, wenn
mir die Mittel zur Verfügung gestanden hätten.

Nun befindet ich mich in kriegerischer Erwägung über
uns, was die Blumen betreffe — und zwar,
wie Ihnen zu mehrmals Herr Forstmeister erzählt
hat, einer Tages die Abwesenheit, wegen Mangels des
geldes, eingestellt würden.
Ich habe recht fest angestellt, — aber auch eine
erneute Regierungswechsel ist ja alles möglich zu
und hier im Brasilien, —
Ich möchte also gerne einige solche schönen Blumen
bewahren, wenn man überzeugt ist, daß man meine
Freundschaft zurückerhält.
Jedoch möchte ich auch bei zarter Zeit erinnern,
genauglich ich tatkräftig bin und noch mehr zur
Ausführung bringen möchte.

Ich erlässt mir die Möglichkeit, die allerkürzlichste Stelle
zu bringen an Üe zur richtigen, ob es vielleicht mög-
lich sein, eine geistige Anstellung im United
States Department der Washington oder in der
übrigen Staaten der U. S. E. erhalten
können.
Über sollte ich nicht vielläufig noch hoffen an ein
Ministerium der Agriculture in Washington gehen.
Ich bin in aller gärtnerischen Branche
theoretisch, technisch und praktisch eine aller-
erste Kraft — ebenfalls wie das Botanisch.
Ich brachte zweimal das Büdicht als Königlicher Hofgartendirektor.

Das Jahr 1890–1896 war als Hof-Garten-
direktor meiner Turm von Wasserk unstarkheit.

Während des Kriegen (1915 bis 1918) als Gartendirektor an der Staatlichen Wein- und Obstbau-
Forschung in Hessenberg – Hof Bockstücke
(Neumarkt) angestellt, wo selbst ich nachweislich
hervorragendes leistete. Obwohl heute noch
auch, hätte man aber nicht in Neumarkt
gepflegt, wenn ich das Tät von Thüringen
gehört und mir aus dem preußischen Leben
gewohnt.

Ich war auch der Gart in dem Botanischen
Institut für Erbauer und Landwirtschaft und zur Ver-
Konzession der Pflanzen – Schälungen mit ganz
ungeheuer.
Sao Paulo, July 24th, 1927.

Waldo L. Schmidt Ph. D.
Washington D.C.

Most Honorable Sir!

You will still remember me, I trust, when you were here in Sao Paulo some time ago. Mr. Linderman and I had the pleasure of making you acquaintance.

I procured for Mr. Linderman some photographs of the gardens of the museum here which I suppose you have received by now.

Afterwards I had several, more interesting pictures taken which I have the pleasure of presenting to you hoping they will give you pleasure.

As you know and Mr. Linderman will already have told you I was employed for over six years as Gardener-director for the new
garden developments of the State Museum here in São Paulo, and have if I may say so accom-
plished a work that not many Gartenarchitekten or Gartenarchitekten would have had the good luck to create - as the photographs show. I could even have shown more beautiful results if I had had the funds.

Now I am in constant dread of what may happen some day if the work should be discon-
tinued for lack of funds as Mr. Lindenhofe related to you. Of course I am permanently em-
ployed but with the constant change of administration anything may happen, especially here in Brazil.

I would like to be able to feel secure especially as one knows they have done their duty. Therefore I would like to direct my self while I am still in my prime.
and capable of doing good work. Therefore I take the liberty to ask if it were possible for me to obtain a secure position in one of the Dept. of W. or in one of the Southern States.

Or should I perhaps apply directly to the Agricultural Dept. in Washington.

I rank first in all branches of gardening theoretical, technical, and practical, also in Botany. I have twice been granted the predicate as Court Gartendirector to the King. Already in the years 1890–1896 I was Court Gartendirector to the Count of Monaco (Southern France). During the war 1915–1918 I was employed as Gartendirector at the State Vine and Orchard Domain in Niederhausen, Germany, where I accomplished great things. Would still be there but did not like it in Germany, was not
accustomed to the Russian system having always lived in other countries. Have also served three years in the Biological Institute for plant diseases and have had great success in conquering plant parasites. As you see I am one of those exceptions who can be made useful anywhere and I am sure it will not be difficult for you to obtain a position for me in accordance with my knowledge and experience. I will also remark that I am familiar with the German, French and Italian languages also know a little Portuguese and English. My most extraordinary thanks in advance for your kind and loving endeavor. I shall look forward to your reply with pleasure and remain your most respectful & obedient. Carl Neuhoff.
Ministerio da Marinha

Directoria da Pesca e Saneamento do Littoral

Em 4 de Setembro de 1925.

CIRCULAR N° 6

Do
Director,

Aos
Srs. Presidentes das Confederações das Colônia e das Colônias de Pescadores dos Estados de São Paulo, Paraná, Santa Catharina e Rio Grande do Sul.

Assunto:
Apresentando um técnico americano.

1- Apresento-vos o Sr. Dr. WALDO L. SCHMITT, técnico americano, em assuntos de pesca, o qual percorre os Estados do Sul, em missão científica do seu Paiz.

2- Espera esta Directoria que, a instituição a vosso cargo, lhe dispense a consideração que merece e, bem assim, o auxílio que carecer no desempenho das suas funções, para o que se acha devidamente auctorizado por esta Directoria.

[Signature]

ADAIBERTO NUDES
CAPITÃO DE FRAGATA, DIRECTOR.
Ministerio da Marinha

Directoria da Pesca e Saneamento do Littoral

Em 4 de Setembro de 1925.

CIRCULAR N° -5-

Do

Director,

Aos


Assunto: Apresentando um técnico americano.

1- Apresento-vos o Sr. Dr. WALDO L. SCHMITT, técnico americano, em assuntos de pesca o qual, devidamente recommendado pela Embaixada Americana, ao Exmo Sr. Almirante MINISTRO DA MARINHA, foi por esta alta auctoridade, encaminhado à Directoria da Pesca, afim de que, lhe fossem facilitados os estudos que, nesse particular, pretende realizar no nosso littoral.

2- Vae, pois, o referido Sr. Dr. WALDO L. SCHMITT, competente autorizado por esta Directoria, percorrer o littoral sul do nosso páiz, em busca de dados científicos exigidos pela sua missão.

3- Para elle, solicito vossa benevolência, facilitando-lhe, no que vos fôr possível, os recursos e informações que lhe possam ser dispensados pela Repartição a vosso cargo.

[Assinatura]

ADALBERTO NUNES
CAPITÃO DE FRAGATA, DIRECTOR.
MUSEO DE CONCEPCIÓN.
Enero 10 de 1927.

Conservador del Museo de Concepción, saluda muy atentamente al sr prof. Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt y en atención a su carta fechada el 7 de Enero en Valparaíso le dice que lo espera en el local del Museo, cualquier día de esta semana, desde las 9,30 a las 12 de la mañana y desde las 2 a las 6 de la tarde.

El Local del Museo está en la calle CASTELLON 554, entre BARROS ARANA Y FREIRE.
To Dr. Schmidt,

Sir,

I wish to thank you for your kindness in giving me that tube of formaldehyde.

I knew by the readiness by which you told me to get it from Mr. Davis myself, that I should write you by offering to pay for same.

I cannot thank you enough, for as you know it is unobtainable here.

Wishing you bon voyage.

Yours truly,

Cecil A. Parkinson.
October 11, 1933

Mr. P. G. Pickering
2860 Broadway
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Pickering:

Not being a botanist, I have little or nothing on the vegetation of Juan Fernandez and I am sorry now that I didn't take more pictures. That was largely due to a mistake in packing my equipment. Half the films I intended to take over to the islands from Valparaiso were left at my base there. However, I am enclosing two pictures, both of which I believe were published by the National Geographic Society. The one is of the chonta palm in Charpentiers' garden. The seeds I brought back with me failed to germinate, though I believe they were given a good trial in Florida. Since writing the article, I have learned that this palm is to be found in the greenhouses in the botanical garden in Shaler Park, Pittsburgh, but I do not know that it has set fruit there.

I do not know whether Charpentiers is still living, but Benjamin H. Hahn, of the botanical garden at Los Angeles, California, wrote to another friend of mine on the island, Rene Durand, and secured some seeds of various things from him. Perhaps he will be able to help you out. I do know that he was most anxious to get some of that very large-leaved plant, "panque."

Skottsberg, being a botanist, naturally has the best series of photographs of plant life there, and it is he who could best supply you with one of the palms. The reference to his work about which you inquired in "The Wilds of Patagonia," London, 1911. Under his direction there has been published a more comprehensive work, a series of papers by various authors, entitled "The Natural History of Juan Fernandez and Easter Island."

I am almost ashamed to mention it, but I still have some of the seeds of that original lot with which I have done nothing since the report from Florida was negative. I am taking these over to the Department of Agriculture to see if they can do anything with them in the local greenhouses. If this further trial is successful, though I have my doubts, I will let you know.
Juan Fernandez is a place that it would pay to revisit, and since various parts of my collections from that place have been worked up I realize that there is yet twice as much to do as either Scottsberg or myself ever accomplished. He made two visits there, and from published results you can see how much more he obtained on the second one, and, at that, he didn't get so much as to render future exploration profitless.

Mr. Hahn, whom I mentioned above, may be addressed Suite 606, Pacific-Southwest Bldg., Pasadena, California.

This letter has been held for ___ days, pending the receipt of the prints I promised you from the photographer.

Sincerely,

Waldo L. Schmitt, Curator,
Division of Marine Invertebrates.
Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt, Curator,
Marine Invertebrates,
Smithsonian Institution,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For some time I have intended to write you in regard to a matter pertaining to the article you wrote in the National Geographic Magazine sometime ago on Juan Fernandez.

I refer to the vegetation of this island, and particularly to your reference to the native palm, Juania. You state that you brought back seeds to try this palm in America. I would appreciate it very much indeed if you would advise me whether or not this experiment was a success, and if some of this fine palm are growing in Washington at this time. I may say that I am very much interested in the palms, and have assembled a small collection of literature on them.

You published some excellent photographs of the vegetation of the island, but none of the palm referred to above. If you took any, would it be possible for me to obtain from you such a photograph or photographs, and not only of this plant, but of other phases of the vegetation of the island? I would like very much to get these, particularly of the ferns, after that of the palm.

It occurs to me that a good many of the native plants of Juan Fernandez could be saved from the extinction that overtook one notable species by propagation in Florida. Has anything along this line ever been done, and would there be any way of obtaining seeds from Senor Charpienter? Finally, would you advise me from what work of Skottsberg you took the quotation included in the discussion under the picture of the Charpienter gardens in the Geographic Magazine?

Yours very truly,

R. C. Pickering
3528 Broadway, N. C. Mo.
Lima, January 18, 1928.

Dear Doctor:

We all rejoice greatly in your kind Christmas and New Year's thoughts and good wishes.

We heartily reciprocate the same and hope the new year will be very happy and prosperous for you.

With sincere regards,

Very truly yours,

Doctor Waldo L. Schmidt,
Smithsonian Institution,
Washington, D. C.
Lima, December 2, 1927.

Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
Curator of Marine Invertebrates,
Smithsonian Institution,
U. S. National Museum,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Doctor:

Your letter written the same date that I sailed from New York has arrived and I was delighted to hear from you. Am sorry not to have seen you in Washington. I was very much on the move while there and generally in a state of stress from interruptions and engagements. Most of the time I stopped at my own house at 1750 N Street and am sorry I was not there when you called. I was at the Mayflower Hotel for a couple of days just before leaving. When I get back to Washington, I hope to have an opportunity of having a visit with you and seeing your pictures and museum collections.

I noticed the letter from Mr. Barreda in regard to my talk at the University Club. I spoke in English and did not use any word with reference to Peruvian deportees capable of the translation in Spanish which I saw. Of
Dr. W.L.S.

course there is much to be said about that question as it has put the Peruvian nation in turmoil on various occasions, and I will not go into it here.

Hearty congratulations on the result of your South American work. I feel that you must have made some very interesting discoveries and have some very interesting specimen in your collections.

We still remember very graphically your friendly visit with us here and I shall look forward to seeing you when I get back and having a good visit. Thank you for your good wishes in the Senatorial campaign. If you have any friends out in the state of Washington, write them a letter. Nobody can tell what an election will turn out to be, but I think the prospects are fairly favorable.

With best wishes,

Very truly yours,

MILES POINDEXTER

MP-M
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I have much pleasure in introducing to you, through the medium of this note, Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt, Curator of the Division of Marine Invertebrates in the United States National Museum.

Dr. Schmitt is one of the leading authorities in the United States on marine invertebrates, and is proceeding on a special mission of the Smithsonian Institution to study the fauna of South American countries.

I will greatly appreciate any courtesies extended to Dr. Schmitt.

Very truly yours,

L. S. Rowe,
Director General.
A QUIEN LA PRESENTE PUEDA INTERESAR:

Tengo especial placer en introducir a usted, por medio de la presente, al Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt, Curador de la División de Invertebrados Marinos del Museo Nacional de los Estados Unidos.

El Dr. Schmitt es una de las principales autoridades de los Estados Unidos en todo lo relacionado con los invertebrados marinos, y ahora va en misión especial del Instituto Smithsonian de Washington a estudiar la fauna de los países de la América del Sur.

Mucho apreciaré cualquier cortesía que se extienda a mi recomendado, el Dr. Schmitt.

De usted atento y seguro servidor,

[Signature]

L. S. Rowe
Director General.
May 27, 1925.

My dear Dr. Schmitt:

I have great pleasure in sending to you herewith the letters of introduction which I hope will be of service to you. If there is anything further that I can do, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Dr. Waldo L. Schmitt,
United States National Museum,
Washington.
9 APRIL 1927.
MALVINIA HOUSE
PORT STANLEY
FALKLAND ISLANDS.

DEAR DR. SMIT,

WHILE YOU WERE IN THE CAMP, OLIVE AND I WERE PLAYING ON THE BEACH, AND WE FOUND A HUNGRY EEL. IT WAS ALL DIFFERENT WHITE COLOURS, BUT FOUND IT UNDER A ROCK. RICHARD JEAN TOLD ME IT WAS A CONGA EEL. AT FIRST I THOUGHT IT WAS A PINE.