

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

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OFFICE OF  
DISTRICT MANAGER  
HOUSTON, TEXAS

Dear Harold:-

Just a note to say that last week I stopped in for a day to call on my former instructors and friends in Texas A. & M. College at College Station, Texas. While there I found that the Landscape Art Department has added a young man named Horsely to its staff. He was with NPS for awhile in a Colorado SP Camp and knows several of the people I do in the service.

I learned from Prof. Fred W. Hensel, head of the Landscape Art Department and a former Cornell man that their little department is cognizant of the fact that with the construction of so many parks of all kinds through the southwest there is a need for training of park superintendents, recreation and park leaders, etc., to fill the growing needs for personnel.

Remembering your recent high elevation to head of the ASPE and thinking that you may want to win a friend or two way down here, may I suggest that you tender the services of your committee on education to Prof. Hensel in his initial efforts to establish a course in park appreciation, park administration, etc., or whatever he may decide to entitle the course? I am confident that the A. & M. people would appreciate a word from some of you more experienced park people and I believe that a letter to Hensel for the purpose of drawing him out in the matter would prove of interest to all of you.

Last week end I joined the family in my sister's ranch near Kerrville and enjoyed it immensely. The weather there is cool all of the time (believe it or not) due to the 2500' altitude and I didn't work up a perspiration all the time I was there. It is not so here as Houston is too much like Washington in the summer. Shall join the family again in Waco for the "4th".

I trust that this finds all of you well and looking forward to a pleasant summer. With kindest personal regards to you all, I remain,

Rm. 100 Old Customhouse Bld.,  
St. Louis, Mo.

Very truly yours

