

FIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

ROOSEVELT ROAD AND LAKE MICHIGAN

CHICAGO

June 4, 1936.

Dear Mr. Schweinfurth:

We have just received a letter from a rather important friend of the Museum, written from Chengtu, China, in which he states that the eighteen year old son of one of the doctors in the hospital there, a young man of serious disposition, is much interested in the local orchids.

He "desires to get in touch with some scientific institution that will help him in the matter of classification in return for his presenting specimens. He has, I understand, collected more than 60 varieties in the immediate surrounding mountains which he has preserved and of which he has duplicates that he could send in whatever form of preservation might be desired. He also cultivates some live specimens and is making a complete photographic record of all that he has, as also water-color paintings of some of them."

The young man's name is Liljestrang. Would you and Mr. Ames be interested in the matter? If not, can you suggest some one in Europe or elsewhere who would undertake the naming of his material? From further remarks in the letter, he seems to deserve encouragement. If you would like to get in touch with the young man, we shall ask him to write directly to you. I do not have his address, and the Director would like to send some word in the matter directly from here.

Sincerely yours,

Paul C Standley
Paul C. Standley.



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