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Prof Roerich

GREEK ARCHDIOCESE OF NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA

273 Elm Street, Astoria, L.I.

March 30, 1932.

Miss Nettie S. Horch,
President, Roerich Society,
310 Riverside Drive,
New York.

Dear Madam:

I am greatly honored by your invitation to attend the recital of the Greek Byzantine Choir under Mr. Christos Vrionides, and regret very much because, due to previous arrangements, I will not be able to be present. I will, however, send two personal representatives, the Very Rev. Protosyngellos Athenagoras Cavadas and the Rev. Basil Efthimiou.

Thanking you for your kindness, I am

Faithfully yours,

ARCHBISHOP ATHENAGORAS
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of
North and South America

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UNITED STATES SENATE

June 20, 1932.

Dear Miss Horch:

Best of luck to you in your mission of peace. To preserve the treasures of art and science is indeed a noble undertaking. I wish it well.

Cordially yours,

Royal S. Copeland.

Miss Nettie S. Horch,
Roerich Museum,
310 Riverside Drive,
New York City

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STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

Stanford University, Cal.

July 30, 1932.

Dear Mrs. Horch:

Your letter of June twentieth addressed to President Wilbur, who is now in Washington, has come to my attention. I want to thank you for letting us know of the progress which is being made in the interest of the Roerich Pact for the Protection of Treasures of Art and Science.

Yours very truly,

Signed: Robert E. Swain, Acting Pres.

WASHINGTON ROERICH SOCIETY

Art Gallery

Washington, D. C.

March 20, 1933

Mrs. Netty S. Horch, President
Roerich Society
New York City

My dear Mrs. Horch:

It is a letter full of apologies that I must send you this time, as I find that more than a month has passed in which I ought to have answered the letters of yourself, of Mr. Horch and of Miss Lichtmann. The reason of my silence is a complete "letting down" which has come over me with the realization of the futility of all my efforts in trying to continue the "Washington Roerich Society"; I cannot do anything alone, had never had any pretention to do so, and when I volunteered to work for the Society it was in a purely clerical capacity... But, it has come to pass that, with the retirement of Miss Rainey who, seemingly, has abandoned us entirely, even the "charter members" have deserted the society, and there is nobody left but the "Secretary" and the "Treasurer" (of a non-existing treasury).

Washington has its full quota of very satisfying societies, scientific, artistic, political and social, and it would take some outstanding personality, with outstandingly interesting program, in order to promote a new one. This we have not, and all my essays to attract members by different ways (the Slavic section, the monthly luncheons, etc.,) have not been taken up (for the main reason, first of all, that there are NO MEMBERS). So, I think the only thing for us to do is just to let it go for the present and, without officially closing the Society, just wait for further developments (if any).

I wish I had some more satisfying news to convey to you, but I have decided that perfect frankness and absolute truthfulness were the best things to follow, and this letter is the result. I hope that you all understand me and believe that I would have been very happy and proud if I had been able to achieve great results, - but I simply am not the right person to do so alone and there does not seem to be anybody to help.

Whenever I should come to New York (which at the present time is very problematic), I shall come to see you and explain more fully.

In the meantime, I want to tell you that this lack of success is surely just as great a disappointment to me as it must be to you perhaps; if we shall consider the society temporarily unofficially

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suspended, it might be revived some day. I shall be glad to help,
but not to direct and promote it.

With all the best wishes for the future and a heartfelt
appreciation of your and your colleagues' work, I remain, my dear
Mrs. Horch,

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed)

Mary M. Hanenfeldt

P.S. Will you be so kind as to give my sincere regards to Miss
Lichtmann and to Mr. Horch.

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ROYAL BULGARIAN LEGATION
2101 R. Street, Northwest
Washington, D. C.

March 29th, 1933

Dear Mrs. Horch:-

May I extend through you my deep appreciation to the
Roerich Society for the honor that has been conferred upon me?
I greatly admire the personality of Mr. Roerich, and the privilege
to be associated with his work, has been received by me with
emotion and gratitude.

With my best regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) S. Radeff

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HOTEL BRISTOL
129-135 West 48th Street
New York.

Bryant 9-8400

May 3, 1933.

My dear Mrs Horch -

People have generally been most kindly regarding my exhibition at the Rehn Galleries and there have been pleasant experiences, notably the visit to the galleries of yourself, Mr. Horch and Miss Lichtmann. Your sympathy and friendly interest were delightful and I was glad to have the opportunity to renew a very pleasant acquaintance. I only wish that Mr. Roerich could have been with you as I should have appreciated his remarks also and his discerning judgement.

It was most thoughtful of you to express your feeling regarding the exhibition in a letter, which with pride I showed to Mr. Rehn who was much gratified, for he has had the courage to present my work.

Kindly expressions are I think on all sides doubly appreciated at the present time. Unfortunately one through preoccupation sometimes forgets to be as thoughtful as you have. I do hope to have the pleasure of resuming our conversation of some years ago. I was then greatly impressed by your sincerity and clear vision and a deep sense of true values untouched by temporal fluctuations. I have of late had a much needed reaction into my own inner life writing some things that pleased me, among them an appreciation of another painter for the Whitney Museum. I sometimes think that I should stay right here in New York, there is so much to be done and so few standing for the finer things.

Again, Thanks -

Signed Harley Perkins.