

Confidential

Quarry House  
West Chester, Penna.

Dear Miss Grant:

Firstly let me thank you for your kind letter, and copy of Dr. George N. Roerich's "Trails to Inmost Asia", which I am now reading with the greatest interest, and which I hope to review and otherwise get much publicity for it. It is an erudite and fascinating record of a marvelous odyssey. Please congratulate Dr. George Roerich most heartily for me and wish him happy and successful continuation of his work.

Secondly, and confidentially, I received August 4th, a very curious letter from Mr. Frederic Allen Whiting, President of the American Federation of Arts, asking my connexion with Professor Roerich and Roerich Museum, and my opinion of both. His Society has been disturbed by certain strange rumors of Soviet propaganda, etc., in connexion with your Master and his Institution--I am enclosing in strictest confidence regarding anyone outside of your inmost official circle my reply. I cannot quote or send you Mr. Whiting's letter as that would be a breach of trust, but you can readily infer from my reply what it must have contained.

I trust you and your official associates may approve my response. It came straight from the heart and expresses only a slight portion of my profound love for, and faith in, the Master.

You are at liberty to make a copy and keep it for the Professor, but in no way let Mr. Whiting or his Society learn that I have sent it to you. Please, tell me what you think of my reply quite frankly.

As I am making up my winter lecture schedule and doubtless you are, will you kindly let me know what date you assign for my promised and postponed letter on the "Russian Ikon".

Yours cordially,

(Signed)

CHRISTIAN BRINTON

August 19th, 1931