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Dear Mr. Ranck:

I have just received your letter of June 12th with the very good news that you are to be in Connecticut the week of June 22nd and you think it possible that you and Mrs. Ranck might find time to run down to me on the 28th. Now, why not arrange to come to lunch and spend the day? You can get a train to Bridgeport - very short run you know - and we will meet you there Sunday morning at any hour you say and take you back.

I wish I could ask you to spend the night with me, but as I understand your program you go back to New Haven for the 29th. Unfortunately, I could not put you up for the night as my little guest house is in the hands of painters, cleaners and repairers - or will be that week. It is difficult getting things done on time up our way, you know. We have to take the worker when we can get him. If you could stay, and it would be more convenient for you, I would be delighted to put you up at our nearby Inn.

Let me know about it and we will have all the arrangements made.

Thank you for sending me the little memorial of your friend Mr. Hillman. What a dear person he must have been and what a loss to you all.

I am glad to see that you are adding an Art Department to the library. It ought to mean a great deal to Grand Rapids. All of these things we shall talk over when we meet on the 28th.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Ranck.

Faithfully yours