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Dear Ron:

We are safely back in station after a most interesting and successful trip. You and Junko gave us a splendid start. Indeed, as I now review the entire outing, our stay at your house was clearly a highlight. Your hospitality was bordering upon the overwhelming. It was good of you to put up with our protracted sleeping off of the jet lag, and the meals were superb. If Junko is ever restless for something to do, she could easily go into the restaurant business and no doubt improve the quality of the offerings in Aix. We do appreciate all that you did for us. I am happy at last to have visited you in your French situation and to get a more concrete sense of your life there.

You were right in the suggestion that the boat tied up at Avignon could sail to Arle, to the south. That is exactly what it did the next day. We departed the boat at Avignon on a bus to Nimes and thence to Arle. At the end of the day we reboarded the boat at Arle, and it sailed back to Avignon for the night. The day after, we proceeded ever northward up the Rhone and the Soane, eventually getting off near Dijon, from which we went to Paris by train. There were no serious glitches, and I think the entire trip was a grand success. Incidentally, I believe that Pont du Gard was the most impressive site we visited. I was also glad at last to stand on the steps and to feel the columns of the Virginia State Capitol in Nimes. Every time I am near a roman ruins I am reimpressed with that civilization. The Roman Empire at its high tide, from England to the Middle East, must indeed have been a physically fantastic scene.

On my return, I find here the page proofs for the Dillard papers book, and I am now engrossed in proofreading. The book should be off the press within another month, and I will send you a copy. Incidentally, your discussion of essay writing prompts me to send you two samples of my brother's efforts along that line. He, too, says that he thinks essays are his preferred literary form.

I hope that you will keep in mind coming to Charlottesville, either for the Sokol Colloquium or for your next class reunion. Keep us posted. Many thanks again to you and Junko.

Sincerely,

Daniel J. Meador

P.S. I am writing the people in Washington who are in charge of the Cambodian Justice Project recommending you for their consideration. If I hear anything back, I will let you know.