

MISS ELOISE BUTLER
20 MURRAY HILL ROAD
MALDEN, MASSACHUSETTS

3 November, 1925

Dear Mrs. Crone,--

Arrived here Sunday evening, after a pleasant visit of four days in Indianapolis. Every one in usual health, although my sister continues to be very feeble. Had no opportunity to recover anything on my insurance policy. It snowed every night in Indianapolis and melted during the way, but my cousin's automobile didn't skid over a precipice, as I thought it might. October has been a disagreeable month all along the line. It is warm and sunny here at present. I took advantage of the weather to "snoop" around the neighborhood a bit, and am mailing you a box of the "finds", some of which--perhaps the acorns-- you may wish to use in next season's exhibit, as you are not likely to find them .

The black oak acorns are inferior specimens. You might try to sprout two or three of the swamp white oak by planting them in a little spot sunk in the ground, and if you will kindly "heel in" for the winter in the adjacent vacant lot whatever you do not care to cultivate in your garden, you will greatly oblige me. You will find *Aster linariifolius* very desirable as a late bloomer, and I am well stocked with it in the Reserve.

I hope you will have yet an Indian summer to shorten the winter ahead of you .

With kindest regards to Janeth and Dr. Crone,

Very truly your friend,

Elvise Butler

Am about to make some prize-winning jam that we all like particularly well: Quince & Cranberry Jam. Equal parts of cooked cranberry run through a sieve and ground pineapple with water added to make it of the same consistency as the cranberry. Cook together about 15 minutes with an equal measure of sugar.