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Dear George:

I've been thinking about you this week as I try to sort out these job choices between Muhlenberg and Linfield College in Oregon. The money isn't a huge difference - though Muhlenberg pays a bit more and has more research and hardware support. The issue is one of place and the difficulty of balancing personal commitments, i.e. my marriage, with career choices. In short, my husband doesn't want to live in Allentown, nor on the east coast. This is a non-academic reason to pass on the Muhlenberg offer, and this is the direction I'm leaning but haven't yet formalized.

As I move through the decision process, a major factor that makes Muhlenberg attractive is the closeness to creative and clever people I know in the general area, or would like to know better, like you and Sue Curry Jansen. (I like the notion of a circle of thoughtful scholars who check their egos at the door.)

So, George, though I'm leaning toward Linfield, a liberal arts college an hour from the coast and from Portland in the heart of the Oregon wine country, I lean with sadness about what I would miss in Allentown: the promise of intellectual community.

I haven't entirely rejected the Muhlenberg offer - Sue is away for another week and has kindly not pressured me - but if you have any thoughts on my situation, I would like to hear them. I would also like to talk to you about my Earl Robinson show. Perhaps we can talk either tomorrow or next week? I will certainly call you after the holiday. Or if you would like to reach me, my number is 206-932-8973. I am leaving Friday for a few days of solitude.

Best wishes for a safe 4th of July.

B. J. Bullert