

México, D.F., junio 3, 1965.

Prof. Thomas F. McGann
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Querido Profesor McGann:

Unas cuantas líneas para informarle a usted que, de acuerdo con planes que le hice conocer, la señora Cosío y yo estamos en México desde el sábado último.

Creo haberle indicado a usted que no pienso regresar a Austin antes de septiembre del año entrante, aun cuando existe la posibilidad de que me comunique con usted en febrero o marzo, en relación con ese curso del seminario, asunto este sobre el cual espero que ya le haya hablado a usted Jack Harrison.

Entre tanto, la señora Cosío Villegas y yo queremos renovarles nuestra gran gratitud por todas las atenciones que han tenido con nosotros en nuestros últimos viajes a la capital texana.

Con los mejores deseos, siempre suyo, amigo.

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México, D.F., diciembre 28, 1965.

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Querido Profesor McGann:

Mil gracias por su recuerdo de Navidad y Año Nuevo. Este mismo día, el 28 de diciembre, sabrá usted en San Francisco que al fin no pude concurrir a la reunión de ustedes. Lo siento por mil motivos; pero muy particularmente porque me perdí de escuchar su exposición sobre características nacionales de Argentina, pues escuchándolo habría confirmado que cuando usted me pidió hablar sobre este tema en su Seminario, no entendí del todo bien sus propósitos.

Espero que no pasará mucho tiempo sin que podamos vernos en Austin. Entre tanto, siempre suyo, amigo.

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February 9, 1966

Dear Señor Cosío Villegas:

Thank you for your post-Christmas note. All of your many friends, including myself, were disappointed not to have you with us in San Francisco. Stan Ross read your paper with great clarity, but obviously we all would have preferred the original spokesman.

We have with us this year ~~semester~~ at the university a very capable Mexican named ~~Federico~~ Mauricio

(CHARPENEL)

Charpenel. He is studying in the School of Library Science, to train as a specialist in Latin American bibliography. Last semester I agreed to give a seminar in Latin American history to a group of selected students in Library Science. He was by far the best in the group. Dr.

Charpenel has told me of the competition for fellowships being undertaken by the UNAM ~~for fellowships~~ for future library positions. If by chance you know Dr. Sandoval,

I would greatly appreciate any recommendation you might make for Mr. Charpenel, who seems to me to have all of the qualifications, including an excellent command

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of spoken and written English,
for the award of one of the
fellowships, and to contribute
to strengthening the vital area
of Latin American bibliography
in which we are so concerned.

My warmest regards to
you, and to your *señora esposa*,
in which my wife joins.

Cordially,

Tom McGinn

P. S. Nettie Lee also asks me to tell you
that she thinks that Mr. C. is excellent
and wants a fellowship. TMM

México, D.F., febrero 18, 1966.

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Querido Profesor McGann:

Recibí ayer su carta de febrero 9, relacionada con el señor Mauricio Charpenel.

Acabo de hablar con el Dr. Manuel Martínez Báez, que maneja todo el programa de becas para nuevos profesores de la Universidad Nacional de México, y me dice que ya ha sido resuelto concederle una beca al señor Charpenel para que prosiga sus estudios en Texas.

Esperando que esta buena noticia le satisfaga a usted, a Nettie Lee y al propio señor Charpenel, siempre suyo, amigo, y con el encargo de saludar a la señora McGann.

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March 30, 1966

Lic. Daniel Cosío Villegas
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Dear Don Daniel:

It is a pleasure for me to invite you on behalf of the Department of History to give a seminar at the University of Texas in the fall semester, 1966-67.

In accordance with our previous conversations and those which you have had with Dr. Benson, it is hoped that you will be able to give a seminar under the title, "History of the Mexican Revolution, 1910-1940."

As you know, such a seminar normally meets once a week for a period of from two to three hours. It would be most convenient for the planning of the department's graduate courses if you could give your seminar on Monday afternoon from 2 until 5.

Since your visit to the University of Texas during that semester will be financed through the Institute of Latin American Studies, your appointment in the Department of History will be as a Lecturer in History (at no salary).

You will find enclosed a biographical data sheet which we would appreciate your returning at your earliest convenience.

We look forward with great pleasure to the distinguished, intellectual contribution that you will make to the Department of History and the University of Texas by offering this seminar.

With best personal wishes,

Cordially yours,

Tom

Thomas F. McGann
Acting Chairman

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April 1, 1966

Lic. Daniel Cosío Villegas
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Dear Don Daniel:

I received your letter of March 29 just a day or two after sending you my letter about your seminar.

There is no problem about rearranging somewhat the seminar, so you should disregard those matters in my previous letter which are superseded by this letter.

The Department of History will be delighted to have you offer a reading seminar on "Modern History of Mexico (1867-1911)". We will restrict the members of the seminar to 10 or 12 students, all of whom will be able to read and understand Spanish. You will be able to determine this fact yourself if you are able to meet the students and make your own selection during the last day or two of registration which extends over the period from September 12 to September 16. All of the students will be graduate students, most of them specializing in Latin American History, although there may be one or two who will seek permission to enter the course who are working in other fields such as Political science or Anthropology.

We are scheduling your seminar, as you request, from 9:00 to 11:00 on Thursdays. With reference to the question you raise about a series of preliminary general lectures within the seminar, I think it best if you work out that schedule after you arrive here in September in accordance with your own convenience.

I am sure that your students would much appreciate it if you held one or two office hours per week. Again, at this time, I can not tell you what sort of office space may be provided but we will try to find some quarters for you that you can call your own during at least part of the week.

Let me tell you again how much we all look forward to your return to Austin.

Most cordially,

Tom

Thomas F. McGann
Acting Chairman

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cc: Dr. John P. Harrison
Dr. Nettie Lee Benson
Dr. Richard Adams

México, D.F., 4 de abril de 1966.

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Distinguido profesor McGann:

Estará ya en sus manos mi última carta, que sin duda se cruzó con la de usted del 30 de marzo. Por la mía, verá usted que entonces poco nos separaba para llegar a un acuerdo perfecto. Mientras yo proponía los días jueves a cualquiera hora de la mañana o de la tarde, excepto las 2, usted sugiere los lunes a las 2. Estoy enteramente seguro que cediendo yo en el día y aceptando los lunes, la galantería de usted lo hubiera llevado a ceder en la hora, proponiendo, por lo menos, las 3 de la tarde.

Por desgracia, anexa a la carta de usted vino una que se llama así misma, del modo más inocente, "Biographical Data Sheet". Estoy enteramente seguro de que cualquier persona agena a este disimulo burocrático-oficial, no puede ver en ella sino lo que realmente es: una solicitud de empleo.

Llegados a este punto, debo confesar que a despecho de mi edad, soy todavía un ser inocente en un grado conmovedor, pues en las tres o cuatro conversaciones que tuve con el profesor Harrison sobre este asunto, jamás se me ocurrió preguntarle lo que ahora resulta no solo obvio, sino previo, a saber: en calidad de qué iba yo a dar el curso de seminario que él me pidió desde el año pasado. Mi inocencia me llevó a suponer que iría yo como Visiting Professor, y que, por lo tanto, sería yo invitado por la Universidad de Texas a dar ese curso. Ahora resulta que yo debo solicitar el empleo de "Lecturer In History", y, por añadidura, como usted dice en su carta, "at no salary".

Me causa una profunda pena tener que decir que esto cambia radicalmente el asunto: yo no tengo ninguna necesidad, ni tengo gusto ninguno en solicitar un empleo de la Universidad de Texas (o de cualquier otra Universidad del mundo). En rigor, yo había aceptado dar gratuitamente ese curso como una muestra de reconocimiento hacia esa Universidad por haber aceptado ella administrar una beca que la Fundación Rockefeller me concedió para permitirme acabar la Historia Moderna de México.

Supongo que por muy buenas razones ustedes propusieron el camino

que usted me presenta en su carta. Quizás no haya otro mejor, pero si lo hubiera no lo consideraría ya favorablemente, pues a estas alturas he reajustado mis planes de trabajo y me ocupo de cosas distintas.

Casi no necesito reiterarle a usted cuánto siento este penoso desenlace, entre otros motivos, porque no los veremos a usted y a las señora McGann .

Con mis mejores deseos de siempre, suyo amigo.

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January 26, 1970

Lic. Daniel Cosío Villegas
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Dear Don Daniel

I am writing in my capacity as the Chairman of the Conference on Latin American History for 1970, to seek your advice and enlist your assistance, together with that of other Mexican historians, in the matter of appointing a Mexican historian as Liason Representative to the Mexican Studies Committee of the Conference on Latin American History.

As you know, the Conference functions as a branch of the American Historical Association, and has the principal objective of uniting in a common body scholars concerned with Latin American History in the United States and abroad. A notable activity of the Conference is to conduct a number of scholarly programs at the annual meeting of the American Historical Association in December each year.

Within the Conference there has been established a Mexican Studies Committee which performs similar functions as does the Conference, with regard to Mexico. It is the desire of that Committee to have a knowledgeable and active Mexican scholar serve with the Committee as a liason person who could provide assistance and advice as needed by the Committee.

Therefore, I turn to you for such action as you may wish to take in providing me with the name of a qualified Mexican scholar who might wish to serve in this capacity. I think that the responsibilities will not be onerous, and that a younger person might be more preferable than an older scholar, since the membership of our Mexican Studies Committee is rather on the younger than on the older side.

Lic. Daniel Cosío Villegas - 2 - January 26, 1970

The name of Romeo Flores has been most favorably mentioned by all of those who have discussed this matter with me, and I would certainly greatly incline to his appointment, should it seem desireable to a representative group of scholars in Mexico, and acceptable to Dr. Flores.

With best personal wishes to you and to your señora esposa,

Cordially,



Thomas F. McGann
Chairman, CLAH

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cc: Michael C. Meyer
Chairman
Mexican Studies Committee
University of Nebraska

(signed in his absence by
Dr. Thomas F. Glick)