

RALSTON CRAWFORD
60 GRAMERDY PARK, NORTH
NEW YORK 10, NEW YORK

January 20, 1957

Dear John:

If it is possible for you to have the prints in my hands January 31 or February 1, I would appreciate it. They will be needed in New York at that time. If Mr. Phillips will not have an opportunity to look at them before the end of the month, will you drop me a line? I shall then work out some other arrangement for showing them in New York.

Your response to these pictures warmed me very much. As you know, I consider them among my best work, so it makes me happy to know that there was such a fine rapport when you saw them.

I am sorry that you did not see my recent exhibition of paintings at the Borgenicht Gallery. I think that some of my best work was in that show.

I am going to ask the Gallery to send you a few photographs of the paintings. I shall have them send photos of the best pictures now available. Then, if you would like to see the paintings, they could be sent to Washington.

It was really good to see you again, and I hope that the interval will not be so long this next time.

We both send our best wishes.

Sincerely,

Rally

P.S. The price range of the prints is from \$25.00 to \$45.00, with the exception of one large two colour print, tan and black, of which only 7 proofs were made. This one is \$60.00.

P.S.2. The prints should be returned to my home address, indicated above.

Crawford

February 8, 1957

Mr. Ralston Crawford
60 Gramercy Park, North
New York 10, New York

Dear Ralphy:

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips have seen your prints at their home and liked them very much. I feel sure they must have enjoyed them genuinely as I did. Certainly the concentration of effort on the prints and the identification with the medium and the satisfaction of producing some of your most distinguished work during that year in Paris, all are apparent.

Mr. Phillips asked me when I wrote to you to tell you that he would like to keep the lithograph "Glass # 1" for the collection. He and Mrs. Phillips decided that their many plans for loan exhibitions would make it impractical to show your lithographs in a group, at least now. They appreciated the unity of the lithographs and the increased scope and quality you achieved in them. I am very glad they could see them at their leisure in their own home. Thank you for letting them stay on beyond the first of February.

It was very pleasant to see you again, to visit with you and to see such fine work. There seems to be so much to do and so little time to do it in that to renew contact so pleasantly is particularly welcome to me. Even this letter was suddenly interrupted and not finished until today because of an emergency in which I could help a friend, happily, but which completely absorbed me. I will send the prints tomorrow, keeping here the one Mr. and Mrs. Phillips chose. Will you let us know the price?

Please give my best wishes to Peggy. Let me know how the plans for Spain have developed. All good luck to you both.

Sincerely,

RALSTON DRAWFORD
60 GRAMERCY PARK, NORTH
NEW YORK 10. NEW YORK

February 24, 1957

Dear John:

Many thanks for your good letter. I appreciated very much your expressing your reactions to the lithographs,--and telling me about the response of Mr. and Mrs. Phillips.

Needless to say I am pleased that the "Glass #1" will remain for the collection. I enclose a bill.

If the prints were shipped on February 9th as your letter indicated, something has gone wrong. They have not arrived. If they were not shipped, I would certainly appreciate your getting them off to me when you get this letter.

Since I am definitely sailing for England on March 20th, I am in quite a rush.

There is someone in town who is waiting to see this group of prints. It would take several hours for me to assemble a similar group, so I am putting this off with the hope that the ones left with you will arrive.

Feggy and the children will join me in France in May. Perhaps I shall stay on for awhile in the fall. It would be good to see you in New York or Washington when we get back. In the meantime, we send our best wishes.

Sincerely,

Rally

Shipped Feb. 20th