

250 Douglass Street
S. F., California
May 23, 1966

Dear Mr. Ferrater Mora,

I want to mention to you that yet another student of mine here is applying for admission to do graduate study in the Philosophy Department at Bryn Mawr next fall. She is filling out her application, and hopes to get it in to the College by about Thursday of this week. I am writing a letter of recommendation for her of course, but I wanted to mention to you privately, too, that she is applying. I don't know whether or not you have anything at all to do with applications from students who are applying for admission only (not for a scholarship or a fellowship; she does hope that she may be considered for a wardenship, but that of course is not handled through the Graduate Office at all), but if you do I hope that you will give favorable consideration to her application. Let me say right off that she is not as strong a student as is the Mr. Troutman whom I hope you'll be seeing fairly soon. But he is twenty-six or twenty-seven years of age, holds the B. A. already, and has been about in the world a good bit. She is about twenty-one and is just graduating this term with her B. A. Moreover, her B. A. is in English; she will have completed only a minor in Philosophy. It had been her plan, I think, to take an M. A. in English. But her interests have moved over to philosophy, partly because of her having studied with the fellow here from Harvard and Yale (the one I told you about, Jacob Needleman, who has written the book on Binswanger) and partly, it probably is true, because of her having studied with me. And she does show real promise. I have had four papers from her so far in the Metaphysics course I'm teaching, and a fifth longer one yet is due soon. Her first two papers had some merit, definitely; her last two have been very good indeed. I have given her lots of suggestions about her way of writing; she has taken many of those suggestions; and the results show it. She is a reserved, imaginative person, and she will not do trifling work. She respects her own mind too much to do trifling work. She got interested in the Department at Bryn Mawr through me, of course; she has pored over catalogues and has come to believe that it is the graduate school for her. I hope that she can be admitted. If she is not admitted at present (the philosophy courses that she has had here as a minor are, some of them, offbeat, and I realize that might go against her), I am going to encourage her to ^{apply to BMC} apply next year (after having spent another year here working in philosophy) and to apply ^{for a scholarship} for a scholarship. I think that she would be likely to do very good work at the College and, perhaps, after she is bit more experienced in philosophy, excellent work.

You'll be surprised to hear that my acquaintance with Jesuits is becoming greater. I am organizing a kind of cocktail party for Father Copleston (the historian) on this coming Wednesday afternoon! About a dozen of us from San Francisco State College, including faculty members and students, too--the students being those I know to be especially interested in the history of philosophy--are having him as our guest at the Top of the Mark, a famous San Francisco cocktail place. What do you think of that? Unfortunately, I am so overwhelmed with work that I cannot take time out and reread some of what he has written. But surely the occasion will be very interesting.

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Her name is Anne Turley.
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Sincerely, T. L. A.

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