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Lebanon, Ill.
March 24, 1934.

Miss Zora Neal Hurston,
Daytona Beach, Florida,

Dear Miss Hurston:

Mr. Harman, President of D. R. Kendall College, here in Lebanon, and my daughter graduated from D. R. Kendall this spring.

She will continue her studies this summer, and next year at Northwestern in Evanston, in play production and public speech and mime. She gave an oration twice in "Twenty Years Ahead" telling of the splendid things accomplished by your race in music, drama, literature, etc., winning one $35 prize, and another $50.

Since she is so interested in this subject, she thinks perhaps she may write her thesis on this subject, following along the lines of drama of yesteryear.

I see your name in the St. Louis Post Dispatch in connection with the coming
"National Folk Festival in Song, Dance & Drama," as advertised.

I would very much appreciate any suggestions which you might give me, as to reference books, or any book which may aid her work on the Negro Drama dating back as far as it can be traced and up to now, or perhaps you know of someone else who may give her suggestions.

I will appreciate any suggestions.

Sincerely,
(Mrs. Cameron) Ruby Harmon
716 College St.

[Note: Handwritten text that appears to be a list or notes, but is not legible enough to transcribe accurately.]
April 20, 1934

My dear Mr. Harmon:

Miss Cora Harston has referred your letter of March 20 to Mr. Johnson and I am sending you a list of books which I feel quite sure will be valuable source material for the work your daughter wishes to do:

**The New Negro** - Alain Locke
Published by Albert and Charles Boni, New York

**Black Manhattan** - James Weldon Johnson;
Alfred A. Knopf, New York

**Anthology of Negro Literature** - Colverson;
Modern Library, New York

**Book of American Negro Poetry** - James Weldon Johnson;

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Cameron Harmon
718 College Street
Lebanon, Illinois

Pammy F. McConnell
Secretary
to R. Johnson