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July 29, 1970

Dr. Alfred R. Bader, President
Aldrich Chemical Company, Inc.
940 West St. Paul Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53233

Dear Alfred,

I do want you to know that our Curator, William A. McGonagle, was in Europe this summer and did see Dr. Janssen's Dutch still-life painting. On this visit he took with him Mr. Laurens J. Bol, whom you undoubtedly know. The enclosed photocopy states his reaction to the painting, for your information. I believe this rather concludes the problem for us.

We still remain interested in acquiring a Dutch still-life. Although we have one or two things in mind, nothing is yet specific.

Thank you again for your cooperation and I hope that you are having an enjoyable summer.

Cordially yours,



Richard N. Gregg

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L. J. BOL
REEWEG-OOST 143
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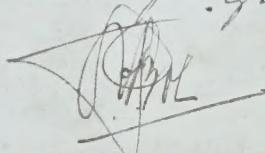
Report

On the Dutch 17th Century still-life painting,
Attributed to Pieter Claesz., in the collection
of Dr. Paul Jansen, Beerse (Belgium)

I have examined the above painting,
together with Mr. William A. McGonagle,
Curator of the Joslyn Art Museum, in the
house of the present owner at Beerse.

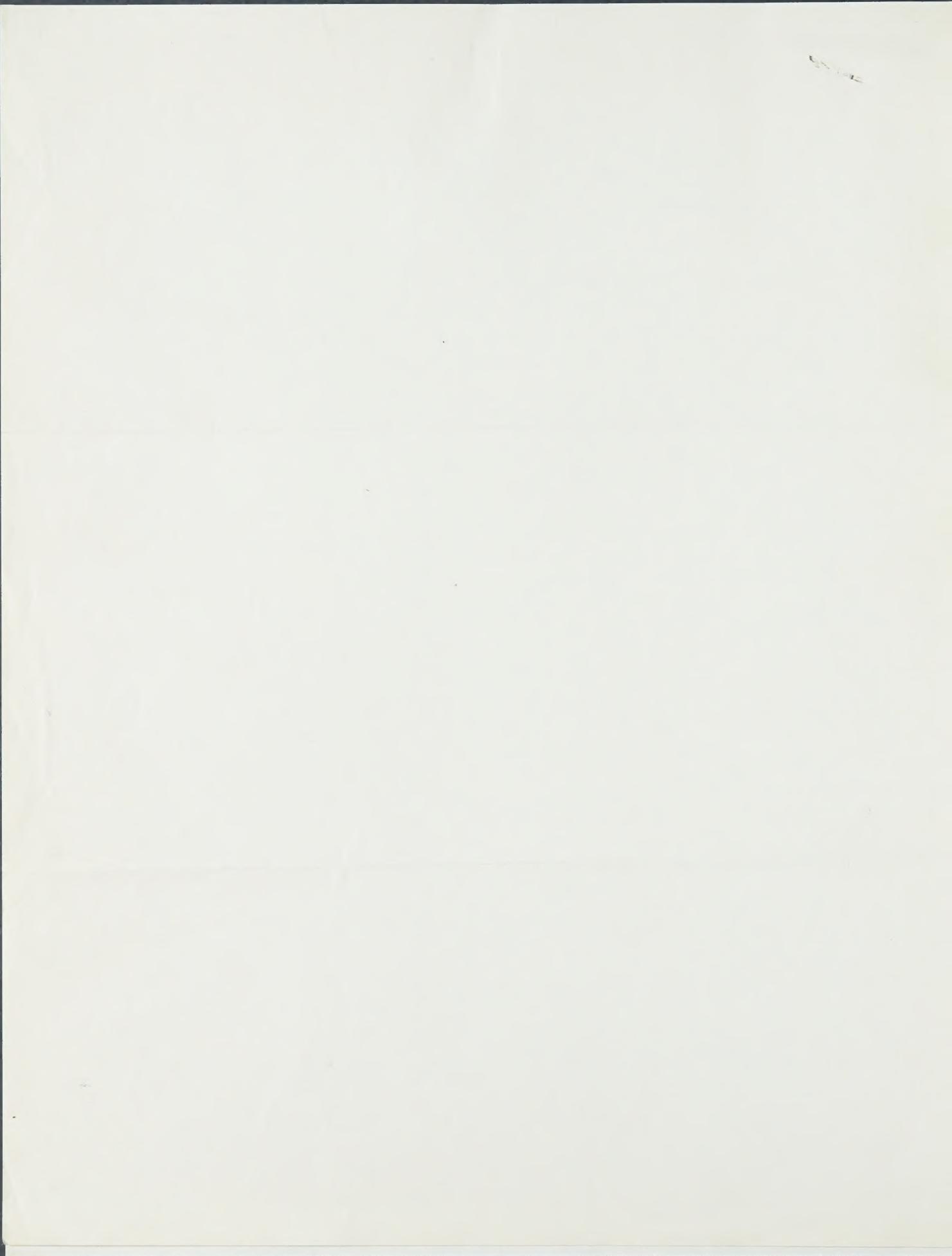
This picture (oils on wood, 27" x 32 1/4",
not signed, dated 1643) is in my opinion
certainly not from the hand of Pieter Claesz.
There are indeed many objects in it
remembering of P. Claesz., but the painting has
been done by a less able artist, a follower
of Claesz., possibly Roelof Koets.

The execution of the ham and the roll lacks
the skill of the Master, the lights and the
reflexes on the pewter and porcelain do
not display the hand of a great master.



(Laurens J. BOL)

Dordrecht, Reeweg Oost 143



$8\frac{1}{2} \times 6"$

The painting reproduced in the
photograph (on page 1 $8\frac{1}{2} \times 6"$),
is one of seven original
works of Wiaan Brusser,
now anonymous - 2 bears

In charming motif - a little
bear cub trying to climb - is
reminiscent in work of the artist.
The painting is described from
an sketch of L. L. Wild in
H. Grot's Cat. Raisoni No. 35.
The sketch has the following caption:
"Lustig spielt ein Junges gesellen,
Besie leert die maten stellen."

Los Angeles
Aug 8. 48.

W. A. Valentine



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201 East 24th Street, Minneapolis 4, Minnesota Telephone: FEderal 5-4256 Cable address: Minnart

18th September 63

Dear Dr Bader,

Thank you for your letter.
I will expect you here
next Wednesday afternoon the 25th with
great pleasure. If you are "stuck" before
our closing at 5 do let me know or
simply come to my apartment C-17, 2443
3rd Avenue South (335-2630) when con-
venient.

Palluccini writes your landscape
is not Zais nor "pittore di un pittore
napoletano". Frankly I think this is
nonsense (if not Zais why not Tuscan; the
rocks ^{de} are handled, in an 18th way, à la
Salvator Rosa as did many Italians) but

P. T. O.

Pallucchini should know.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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3 September, 1963

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Aldrich Chemical Co., Inc.,
2369 N. 29th Street,
Milwaukee 10, Wisconsin

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I am very anxious to visit you. As you may have heard, we are undergoing a change of staff here and from next month I shall be Acting Director. This means a hectic Fall, but I have every hope and intention of getting to Milwaukee before Christmas.

With very best wishes,

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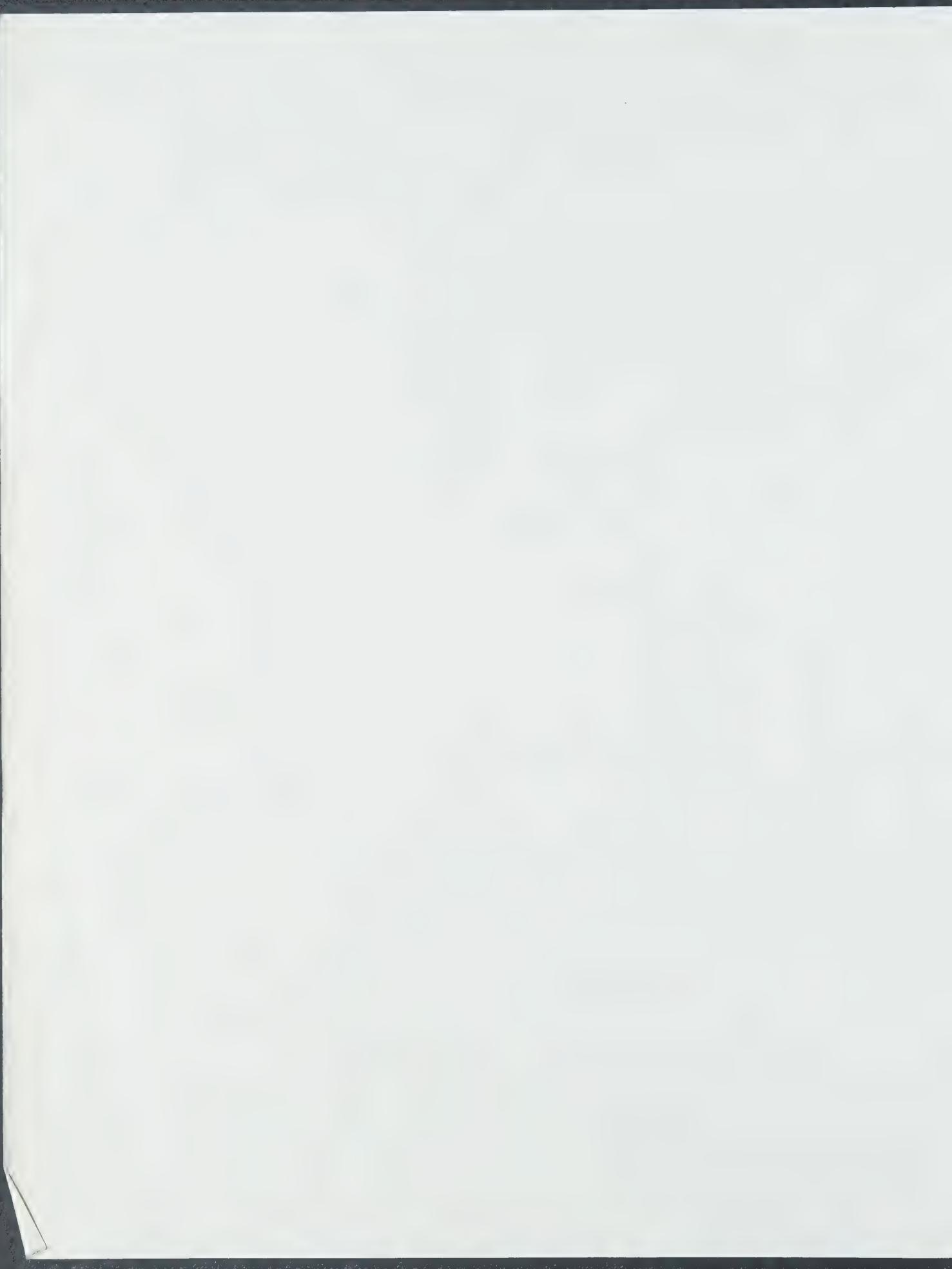
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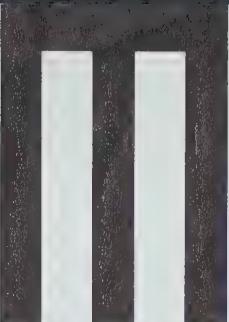
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OVERSEAS AIR MAIL

June 3, 1964

Dr. Alfred Bader
% Prodotti Gianni
Via Mecenate 30 - 14
Milano, Italy

Dear Al:

I was hustled off to New York early last week by Mrs. Bradley to attend the opening of the Museum of Modern Art, came back Tuesday noon for our annual meeting at 4:00, then hustled off to St. Louis for the rest of the week for the American Association of Museums Convention. All of this is to explain why I didn't get to see you before you left for which I am very sorry.

I am enclosing an invitation from de Boer which I am sure you probably know about, but thought you might like to have in case you had missed it. I talked to Victor Spark in New York about the Zais, and he thought that about \$8,000 would be market price for a picture of that size. I thought you would want to know this while you were still over there.

Other than that, there isn't a whole lot of news, except that we have changed the show in the fall to simply an exhibition of things from private collections in Milwaukee. It will ~~be~~ patterned after Chicago's show of last year and I'm sure it will get some national attention. We want to show people that there is something besides beer and bratwurst in Milwaukee.

Good luck and good hunting and my best regards.

Sincerely,

Tracy Atkinson
Director

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Herrn
Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee 11, Wisconsin
U. S. A.

Lieber Alfred,

habe ich Ihnen schon geschrieben, oder nicht, dass die Landschaft von Zais sein könnte? Ich fand das neulich; und das stimmt ja mit dem überein, was Anthony Clark vermutet. Ich bin neugierig zu wissen, was er sagt, wenn er das Bild sieht. Nach einem Foto zu urteilen ist nie leicht. Grüßen Sie Anthony Clark von mir, wenn Sie ihn sehen.

Ich habe an Gibbons geschrieben, dass ich die Dossos veröffentlichen will. Es hat mich gefreut, dass er mit meinem Urteil einstimmmt. Er ist ein tüchtiger Mann, der lange hier gearbeitet hat und mir sehr verpflichtet ist. Nur Rosner will nicht, dass ich den Aufsatz veröffentlichte, da er Angst hat, sich der Verkaufsmöglichkeiten verdorben zu sehen. Ich habe ihm geschrieben, dass mein Aufsatz vor ein, zwei Jahren nicht herauskommt. Sehen Sie zu, das zweite Bild bald zu kaufen. Ich werde Rosner zusetzen, dass er es Ihnen abgibt. Sie haben und werden damit die kostbarsten Stücke in Ihre Sammlung bekommen. Dosso ist mehr wert als ein Holländer, und dazu noch solche guten Stücke. Die weitere Geschichte interessiert mich wenig, ebenso wie die Frage, wer da dargestellt ist. Die Bilder sind gut: und das ist die Haupsache.

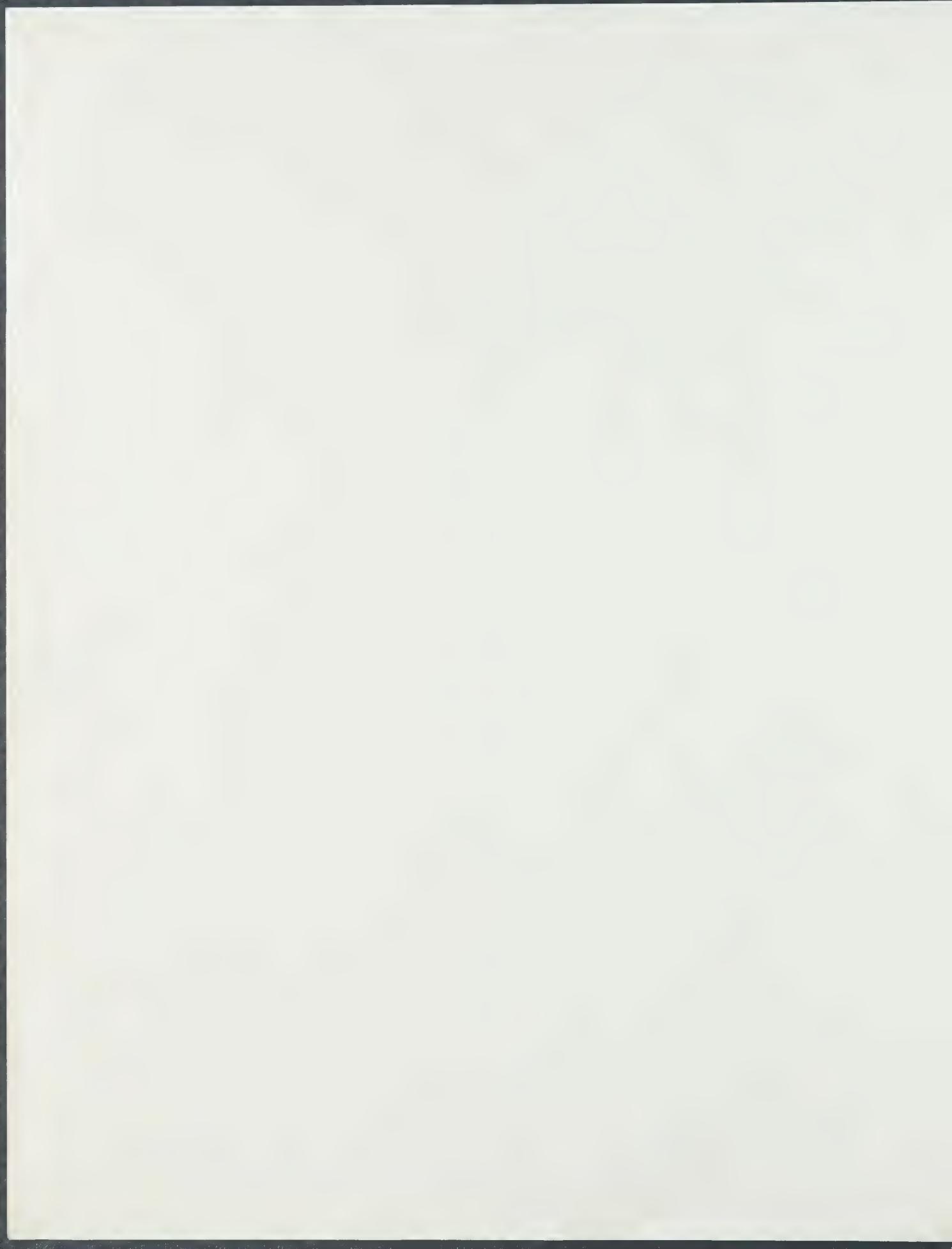
Die römische Ruinenlandschaft hätte ich gern. Aber was für eine Plage mit dem Transport, wenn sie gerahmt ist und der Rahmen gut ist! Sehen Sie zu, es billig zu bekommen. § 185 mit Profit kann man dafür geben. Wo ich es hänge, weiss ich nicht. Ich habe aber nie Bilder nach diesen Gesichtspunkten gekauft. Irgendwo findet sich der Platz. Über der Badewanne ist ein grosses Stück Wand, zum Beispiel.

Ich bin froh, dass sich Ihre heurige Reise so gelohnt hat. Sie haben wirklich gut, bestens gekauft. Wenn Sie übrigens den Isabey durchaus los werden wollen, schicken Sie ihn mit. Wir können ihn dann sicher irgendwie verrechnen.

Herzliche Grüsse von uns allen an Sie alle

stets Ihr alter

Ulrich Middeldorf
(Prof. Dr. Ulrich Middeldorf)



ADRIAN BROUWER

Dutch, 1605-1640

- GIRL LEARNING TO PLAY THE FLUTE -

Panel: $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 6"

EXPERTISED by: - Dr. W. R. Valentiner

PUBLISHED by: - Hofstede de Groot, in his "Catalogue Raisonné", vol. III,
No. 95, after an engraving
of the 18th century,
with the remark that the
original is lost.

ENGRAVED by: - L. de Widt, with some additions in the
18th cent. style.

EXHIBITED: -Milwaukee Art Institute, Sept/Oct., 1954,
"Story of Music" Cat. No. 22.

FROM: -The Paul Drey Galleries, New York City

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