

The Handcraft Shop

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Dear Prof Binns-

I was glad to hear from you some time ago to the effect that you were getting some glazes ready. I am hoping to receive them before long. After some delay in getting my materials together I have mixed some glazes by hand and have had pretty good results. Just now I am having trouble with the kiln. The flues on one side have become clogged with soot so that three of the burners do not draw properly. Hope to get it into working order again soon however. There are a few more batch weights which I would like as soon as you can send them for I may want to mix some of the colors. They are 420 black and dk. green and 406 dk. blue, leopard and gray.

I am trying to get as many pieces as possible finished before Xmas time. I have had a good many delays for various reasons but, on the whole, have had pretty good luck and have turned out some good things which please the doctors.

I expect to come home for the Xmas vacation and have been thinking that perhaps you would let me use the mills at the school so that I could grind some more glazes and ship them here. If you would sell me materials and rent the use of the mills it would help me out a good deal. I also would like to do a little work in mould making and some other things during the Christmas vacation.

Hoping to see you in Alfred soon.

Yours sincerely,

Alfred E. Baggs