

Dear Shuttle Craft Guild Subscriber,

Many of you will already have heard of the sudden death of Harriet Tidball. This occurred on June 25, within 12 hours of the onset of cerebral hemorrhage.

We know this grievous loss will be deeply felt by Monograph subscribers, many of whom had been on the mailing list for long years, and many of whom had become friends of Harriet, either through personal contact or through correspondence.

You will want to know of plans for the Shuttle Craft Guild.

The second monograph for this year was to be on weft twining, and the third on primitive back-strap or stick loom weaving. The former, which was to be written in collaboration with Virginia I. Harvey of the University of Washington, Seattle, is being completed by Mrs. Harvey and will be mailed early this fall.

The primitive loom subject must, unfortunately, be dropped, since the manuscript was not in a stage which would permit completion by another person. In substitute, you will find in this mailing, as Monograph Twenty-seven, WEAVING INKLE BANDS. This is a completely rewritten successor to Mrs. Tidball's "The Inkle Weave", published in 1952. It was in press as a separate publication at the time of her death. It seemed entirely right to provide for its issuance in the monograph series by changing the cover and title page to conform with previous issues. Unfortunately, the page size could not be changed.

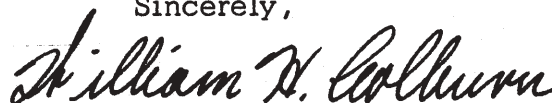
Portfolio subscribers will be interested to know that plans for 1969 are proceeding. The portfolio will consist of a diminutive primitive loom, with weaving. These were specially made in Guatemala by local weavers, as arranged by Mrs. Tidball when she was in the country early this year. The looms have been completed, and are being shipped to this country for subsequent distribution.

As to the future beyond Monograph Twenty-eight, all we can say at present is that plans are in suspension, and at this time subscriptions for 1970 are not being solicited.

Previously issued monographs remain available, and can be ordered from the undersigned (brother of Harriet, assisted by their niece Shirley Kimmel) or from the Craft and Hobby Book Service, Pacific Grove, California.

While the most we can do is to continue to make existing publications available so long as the supply lasts, we will be pleased to be of service to you.

Sincerely,



William H. Colburn

 MRS. HARRIET TIDBALL
4499 DELTA RIVER DR. LANSING, MICH. 48906



August 20, 1969