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April 14, 1924.

Mr. William Randolph Hearst,  
137 Riverside Drive,  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Hearst:

This is a letter on floors. The materials with prices per foot and the drawings referred to below have been mailed separately to you.

I. Social Room Floors: The task for this should be finely seasoned by this time. The boards are 7" wide, giving about 6½" finished width. Would you prefer this floor to run plain (except for the usual return at the ends) or would you prefer to have it laid herringbone or in large squares?

II. The material for the Refectory floor is being made up and is of California Travertine in 18" x 36" blocks laid in a species of herringbone pattern, as agreed.

III. Designs are sent for two schemes for THE HALL floor, the idea being to use the same yellow and black marble as in the living room of House A.

IV. Would you wish to use the mosaic panel (photograph enclosed) for the entrance porch off THE HALL? It could be widened out with marble to fit the space -- using the same yellow and black as in THE HALL.

V. As to the Royal Suite floors -- would terrazzo floors, with black marble borders, the terrazzo made with the greenish blue rock found on the Ranch, seem feasible? Or would you prefer marble floors -- black and white? -- or would any of the marble samples sent be suitable?

Photo # 398

Mosaic pavement

Over



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VI. The library floor you said to make of  
teak -- shall this be laid plain or herring-  
bone?

VII. In the small bed rooms, would terrazzo,  
different colors for different rooms with  
uniform black marble borders do? This mater-  
ial could be made in blocks and laid like  
marble slabs.

IX. The floors for the various decks of the  
main building offer field for thought as the  
glaring reflections of a too light colored  
floor would be bothersome in the rooms. Some  
of these, (around the library), should be laid  
next month. Would the combination of grey  
green and dark green marble, or the two shades  
of a yellowish mottled marble, be satisfactory  
to you, laid following one of the designs en-  
closed with the marbles?

Also

the floors of the new rooms in  
& B -- do you wish these to be  
terrazzo, or would small tile do?

Sincerely yours,

*attached to drawings*

library terraces with hexagonals in  
natural marble and triangles and bor-  
field green natural marble - \$2390.00

ces in Rosato and Hungarian red  
ble - - - - - \$3025.000

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