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Dr. Joshua Lederberg  
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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

A letter dated September 24 from Bob Glaser states that you will welcome a photography of Fess Avery on his weekend of Triumph. It is being sent you by air mail this afternoon. Should you ever want the story behind this snapshot, I can also supply. If one were seeking a title for this picture, it might be called "The laying on of hands."

Throughout my years of communion with this extraordinarily selfless person, I had just one regret. It was the failure of the men in Stockholm to understand the incalculable worth of Fess. My only consolation after his death was the ~~L~~ardy Nobel award to Beadle, Tatum and Lederberg.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,



Alvin F. Coburn, M. D.

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cc: Dean Glaser