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Dear Dr. Cornes:

I'm embarrassed and apologetic about not getting ^{to} the biographical article on Ed Tatum. I did get in touch with Lederberg and I suspect he's in the same position I am - swamped with commitments of various kinds. I'm trying to get a major project on the origin of maize in final shape - a project I began in the 1930's, thought it was settled, and discovered some 10 years ago that it was more confused than ever. I'm still full time on it and have large experimental plantings under way this summer the completion of which will take all my time and effort for the coming several months.

I suspect Lederberg is likewise over committed. I shall get in

touch with him again and see
what can be done, but I very
much doubt if that we could have
what you need by next October.

I'll do my best to get a
start and I hope Lederberg can
also do so. In that connection
do you have material we should
know about? I know ~~you~~ said
Ed had been active in important
in the Am Phil Soc.

I shall get in touch with
the people at Rockefeller University
about material they have. I
know there is some, for there
was after Ed's death a
memorial meeting.

Sincerely

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