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Dear Josh: Just a note tonight. Our evidence against the biotin requirement is not so complete as I thought; Bernie was ~~xxx~~ unable to get any M-plus back-mutants with uv.

All the stocks you sent Bernie died out some time this winter, he found, so I didn't think of using your other stocks. In case we have any trouble, will you send W-~~758~~, 760, 761, 831, 832, 848, 853? Thanks for the tip on pleiotropic effects.

W1272 seems to grow very slowly; have you noticed that? If it continues to do so, I'll ~~xxxx~~ look for Vgr in another stock. I think that Ia, like Az, is near TL. I'll use all the markers I can get into a vigorously-recombining stock

I don't get 90% B<sub>1</sub>-P-, but B<sub>1</sub>-P<sup>+</sup> and B<sub>1</sub><sup>+</sup>P-, all of which I think I can use.

*Gordon*