

Personal Memo from  
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John  
Prof. Laughman



Dear John

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The McClintock-rejection myth.

I was really pleased to see your  
corrective book review in Science. I am  
misquoted somewhere as having described  
her as "mad or genius": not my style of  
remark about anyone, and nowhere in my  
recollection of feeling or utterance about  
Barbara. Recall I was at Wis. while RA Bink  
was following her path.

But I fear the myth is too good a  
family tale to be dispelled by facts; and  
of course it is being assimilated into  
feminist/scientific politics.

Do add an honorary Sc.D. from  
Rochester University a few years ago to  
the roster of recognitions.

Yours,  
Joshua

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