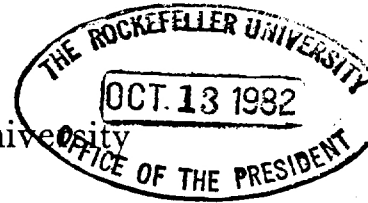


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Dear Josh,

Thank you for your note sent to me earlier this year. I delayed answering until I located and had typed a copy of the letter I received from Arthur Pollster. While I can't <sup>myself</sup> remember other than a general interest in and knowledge of Avery's work (as transmitted to us by AWP), Pollster's reaction to Horace Judson Freeling's book is very illuminating. I think as a letter it also illustrates AWP's enthusiasm and balanced viewpoint. He was slow to come to accept the findings of molecular biology: I remember his asking me in the <sup>late</sup> '60's <sup>or early '70's</sup> whether I really believed in mRNA? Walker and I spent a weekend with him then, and it was a talk-fest of questions and answers about where cell biology and molecular biology had got to. I must try and visit him again now that I have a phone number and new location. He and Priscilla used to have a place in South Jersey in which they spent Spring & Fall, even Winters. They now spend Spring & Fall in Pennsylvania, Winters in Texas, and Summer in Maine. They are adaptable people!

I hope to see you at the Rockefeller.

(re Pollster)

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