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Dear Frof. Lederberg,

We are pleased to publish the full text of your SALT article in March, our next open issue. I see no reason for the alterations the Post made, but having spent more years than I like to think about in the newspaper business I appreciate the fact that daily newspaper editing is a mixture of caprice and desperation.

It now appears that the Helsinki phase of the SATT will adjourn in March and that the talks will resume in Vienna. If this does develop, you may make a reference to it if you wish when you receive the galley proofs.

Also--I wish to take this opportunity of inviting you to contribute an article or a comment to a special issue we are preparing on the energy crisis and the radiation controversy. The special issue is scheduled tentatively for June and will carry a somewhat detailed discussion about the adequacy of present radiation protection standards in the light of expected nuclear power development and further Flowshare activities. Gofman and Tamplin on one side and Taylor and Bond on the other have been invited to express their views. Since experts on both sides of the protection standards controversy have quoted you, I believe a contribution from you would be illuminating. I would appreciate it if you would let me know at your earliest convenience whether you might have the time and inclination to enter this discussion. I feel strongly that the Bulletin is a logical medium for it. As Eugene Rabinowitch points out, this kind of presentation is one of our principal functions.

Again, many thanks for the contribution on the SALT.

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