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Mr. Joshua Lederberg Osborn Botanical Laboratory Yale University New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Lederberg:

Thanks for your letter of July 21. We shall look forward to your visit to Wisconsin on August 20, and I hope that it will be possible for you to spend two or three days here at that time. The talk which we are suggesting that you give will probably be attended by staff members from this Department, Agricultural and Medical Bacteriology, Biochemistry and Plant Pathology. Graduate students in these fields will be invited also. It is our hope that even though many people take their vacations in August, we will have a fairly representative group of interested people present. It would be advantageous, I think, if this meeting were conducted with the informality of a seminar. We shall leave it to you to choose the topic.

I am serry en your account that we have not been able to proceed more expeditiously in considering candidates for our position, and it is our hope that pending your visit with us other possibilities open to you may not be excluded. The very large post-war student load has led to a general situation in the University in which plans for new work are sometimes crowded aside by the more immediate problems of operation. There is considerable interest here in the new appointment, and we are getting fine cooperation from the Administration even though the matter may not seem to move along as rapidly as we would like.

Sincerely yours,

R. A. Brink

Professor of Genetics

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