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M B L, Woodrow Ave  
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Dear Joan & Estee -

I thank a lot for the wonderful picture - much the most colorful I've ever "taken". Also it looks a lot more relaxed than I feel this summer. I think California was better for me than this crowded nest of holidaying business. Actually, I like the Cape's climate & atmosphere very much, & have managed to do a fair amount of writing this summer, along with a daily swim.

I'm sorry Werner's mutants didn't come off. I'm still very much interested in looking into the autonomy of allele action, and hope to start on it this fall. The stability of yeast tempt me to start with this organism, but if it doesn't work out I'd like to take up your invitation to try the heterozygous E. coli.  
Meanwhile it occurred to me that there's one simple expt you might care to try. The mode of action of streptomycin is surely very different from the purely 'static' action of the known metabolite analogues, such as sulfonamides; their mechanisms of resistance might ~~also~~ be quite different. Since one would expect, if the inference concerning

