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Dear Josh & Esther:

I feel I owe you people an apology for apparently running out on a dinner invitation last Wednesday at Oak Ridge. Unfortunately, I was sort of shanghaied by one of the people at the laboratory who was in the Washington A.E.C. office while I was there. I was to go over to their house and see a new baby just home from the hospital, have a drink, and they would deliver me back to the guest house. Arriving at their home I discovered they had steaks and it became just a little bit difficult to get away.

I am sorry I did not have a chance to talk with you more and I do apologize for running out on a tentative dinner engagement.

I don't imagine you people will be at Pittsburgh, but if you are, I shall try to make amends.

Very truly yours,



Max R. Zelle  
Professor of Bacteriology

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