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Dear Josh:

Recently Interscience Publishers sent me a little book called Symposium on Nuclear Sex, edited by Smith and Davidson. As the recognized inventor of sex in bacteria it seemed to me you would be the logical person to call upon for a little public service in looking this book over for the possibility of review in Bacteriological News. I am sending it under separate cover and would appreciate your giving me an opinion on whether we should print a review of it and, if so, hoping you will provide a few words about the book for the edification of our members. If you can bring yourself to do this would you please ask your typist to follow the usual form of book review headings and supply me with a carbon. Preferably the review should be double spaced. This obviates retyping for submission of copy.

In giving you all these details I think you'll recognize I am trying to twist your arm just a bit to take the book off my hands.

Sincerely yours,

Mike

E. M. Foster

July 13 - just this morning I realized I didn't even check the list of contributors and you might have been one of them. If you don't want to do the review, or think it inappropriate will you either: 1) pass it along to someone else, or 2) return the book to me.

Mike