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Dear Stan-

Lampen and Peterjohn's paper is returned herewith. It doesn't say enough to evoke very much critical comment, but it is clearly written, sound, and has some interest. In my opinion, it should be published in its present form. If I had seen the paper in an earlier draft, I might have suggested a reference to Stanier as the outstanding proponent of the general technique of "simultaneous" adaptation, and Karstrom's ~~xxxx~~ 1930 thesis, rather than the '38 review- but none of these are important enough to send the paper back. In the references, German nouns should be capitalized, and the punctuation and ratational condigurations more consistent and explicit. The ~~ff~~ footnotes are perhaps unnecessarily lavish; 2-5 would readily be accomodated in the text.

There ought to be a little closer review of the genetical assertions that crop ~~up~~ in J. Bact. papers: the last few issues have had a ~~fmx~~ number of atrocious examples which should be at least commented on by competent referees.

Sincerely,

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