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Dear Dr. Demerec:

I am genuinely sorry that Thimann let you down, for his background and interests qualify him for the job much better than do mine. However, under the circumstances I am willing to undertake the job if I may confine it to certain parts of the story. At present I plan to include the work of Moewus on Chlamydomonas, Kimball's work on Euglenas, and my work on Paramecium. If I have the time and space I may try to include the work of Hartmann, Tyler and others on chemical analysis of Fertilizin and related substances; the work of Raper on sex hormones of the fungus Achlya; and the Molluscan work on Dianthin and related substances. If any of these subjects is likely to be reported by others on the program, please let me know; though I shall probably not attempt to include all that I have mentioned.

You have said nothing about time allotment or printed space. What do you suggest about these?

I doubt whether I shall have anything to demonstrate, certainly nothing in the way of techniques. It might be possible to demonstrate the activity of some of the Protozoan and fungus hormones, but I judge this is not the kind of demonstration you want.

You will note from the enclosed sheet that I have changed my plans about the time to be spent at your laboratory. Instead of coming for August, I plan now to stay on after the symposium until about the 20th of July. You understand of course that even this plan is tentative; I may find it not feasible to remain so long away from my laboratory.

Yours truly,

T. M. S.