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Dear Dr Corner:

I'm embarrassed and apologetic about not getting to the biographical article on Ed Tatum. I did get in touch with Lederberg and I suspect he's in the same position I am — swamped with commitments of various kinds. I'm trying to get a major project on the origin of maize in final shape — a project I began in the 1930's, thought it was settled, and discovered some 10 years ago that it was more confused than ever. I'm still full time on it and have large experimental plantings under way this summer the completion of which will take all my time and effort for the coming several months.

I suspect Lederberg is likewise over-committed. I shall get in

touch with him again and see what can be done, but I very much doubt if that we could have what you need by mid October.

I'll do my best to get a start and I hope Lederberg can also do so. In that connection do you have material we should know about? I know you and Ed had been active in important in the Amer Phil Soc.

I shall get in touch with the people at Rockefeller University about material they have. I know there is some, for there was after Ed's death a memorial meeting.

Sincerely

George Beadle