

Memo from
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To: Bill Gibson

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Memo on Ed Tatum

In fact, I am in the last stages of a memoir on Ed Tatum, for the NAS series. I saw Ed only three or four times, after he left Stanford for Rockefeller in 1957, so my account is rather thin on his activities thereafter. I know that he did extraordinary service on the National Science Board, and for the National Foundation- March of Dimes. Your note was the first I heard about Muscular Dystrophy!

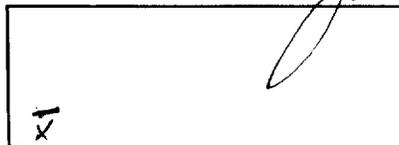
If you could drop me a few (or even many) note-worthy lines about your recollections of him, I would certainly like to add them to the grist.

Yes, I have enjoyed *The Neurosciences*, which is fairly unusual source material in scientific autobiography. The psychologists have been much more systematical in seeking the like, viz. the volume that Gardner Lindzey now edits.

One thing I learned for the first time from your earlier works is that Sherrington had worked with Koch: just one more astonishment about his varied career.

I hope we can meet in November. My calendar is fairly clear through the 16th.

Sincerely,



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