

Bacteriology Dept.

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Dear Boris: *RAZMAN*

Your letter of August 31 has just reached here, having been forwarded directly from Madison. I do not know whether or not the ms. will also be forwarded and I am in some indecision about whether to write for it.

It is too bad we have not kept in closer touch, if only to avoid this embarrassment. We have been travelling so much this year that is one of the difficulties.

We left Madison August 1, and will be here at least until November 2, reaching home either in a few days, or at any rate no later than the end of ~~XXXXXX~~ November. This depends on whether we plan our trip to return directly across the Pacific, or to make a tour through India ~~and~~ and to visit Cavalli in Italy.

I am really delighted that you have done the ms. on the lactase activation, and am very sorry that there is this present difficulty. You should have this letter in a week or so, say about September 24. So there won't be much time for any exchange of ~~XXXXXX~~ many letters.

I think the simplest thing would be for <sup>me to instruct</sup> Bette to forward the ms. to me here, if she doesn't do it herself. Then it will be here ~~any~~ by October 1. I will read it, and if none but minor changes are indicated, I will send it on to Porter directly from here. He should then have it by October 15 at the latest. That would save at least a month over putting it off till our return.

So I will write Bette immediately, also telling her to make an impression copy of the ms. to give Hank, and I will also ask for his comments.

It is good to hear that Raquel is over her difficulties; please give her our best.

No I can't give you any suggestions about isolating nuclei from *E. coli* protoplasts: it didn't work for me. You might ask Sol if he has any helpful suggestions.

Esther and I are here as Fulbright fellows; I do a little teaching, and am also working for the time in Burnet's lab. here. Mail will reach us promptly at the above address.

Yours.