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Dear Dr Lederberg:

Congratulations on your appointment to the Presidency of Rockefeller University, and thank you very much for your reprints and photographs. I am enclosing a few articles that you seem to be interested in.

Of all the articles that I have ever written, I am least proud of the one on Elie Metchnikoff, largely because of my evaluation of his work. In fact, after I sent the article to the New York State Journal, I asked for its return because I felt that I had unnecessarily hurt his memory. The editor, who had been assigning me subjects to write on, insisted that this was a good paper, because the subject written about should not be praised routinely, but criticized if he deserved it. Anyway, I could not get it returned, so it was printed, much to my chagrin.

Besides the subjects that you expressed interest in, I am enclosing another article which I like a lot better.

With best wishes in your new position

Louis Pelner

N.B. I cannot find American Jewish Yearbook 1971. What kind of a library would have one?

Thank you

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