Marine Biological Laboratory
WOODS HOLE, MASSACHUSETTS

July 31 1937

Dear Tatum;

Your letter of July 21 just arrived.

I want to tell you again that I'm very much pleased with your decision to try a year at Stanford. I'm sure we're going to have a good time scientifically. Also I'm sure you'll both like the people in the West. They are mostly young and enthusiastic. Unless you prefer otherwise, I'd suggest that we forget about specific plans for work until you get to Stanford.

Regarding your time of arrival — I'm not just sure when the Official year begins but I'm reasonably certain that there'll be no objection to your spending as much time as you care to in Madison.

Since you'll have no teaching duties I see no reason why you need plan on being there at any specific time. However, I'll write to Dr Taylor and make certain of this point and write to you in N.Y.

I believe we can help you and in the apt. I don't know the situation but Miss Beadle has been there and may be back soon. She has already looked at available places. We'll try and find one that we think would be suitable for you. We can take an option on it for part of a month's rent I believe and then if you don't like it there can't be much loss — probably none since places are evidently in demand. From what Miss Beadle mentions, I assume you can find a very pleasant place of the size you want for about $40. However, I may be off on this figure 5 or $10. I imagine there'll be plenty of time to send you a rather detailed description before making any payments.

Sincerely,

C Beadle