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Dear Charlie,

Just a note to let you know I have counted your B11 (2). It has 21 chrs. as expected. There were plenty of figures & I believe you could have done it with no difficulty.

My plants are coming all right now. I was able to save some of each.

Of your material I am growing B11 (13) +/+ x B83 (2) for c-h-wx chrs. or the other if it comes out. The w+/ individuals were smaller than the w in the seedling stage so all the first counts were from w chrs. plants, all the later counts, taken from the smaller plants were w+/. So far I do not see any startling difference. I will be looking at that material in a few weeks.

B98 (8) x B13 (2) ☐2 normal + wx seeds for normal + ☐2. B134 (20) ⊗ wx seeds for x-u2. I will let you know as soon as I get anything started.

Have got a method of sticking sperm to slide so can use any fixer, any stain & yet no sections. Will make some good ones & hope, for permanent use. The author is put in from Bouin or similar preservative. H_2O, to take away acid & alc. - not for long. Then smeared on slide, as usual, which has a layer of egg-glycerine mixture rubbed over it. Place slide in 95% alc. This will harden the albumin & most of the sperm will stick.

Our cytology class is huge. - Over 50 in the lectures & 44 in the lab. We have 3 sections meeting twice a week or 6 lab periods for me. & don't like it but such is a job. & have not heard from Brink but imagine Clarke is going to be O.K. He wrote me he is trying to identify the class. & hope he has no trouble. & still don't know whether Randolph will stay or go so don't know where & stand as far as the Missouri job is concerned.

Jenkins is fine; a good worker & a good lab-mate. We have a nice bunch here now; such a difference without Beadle. Everyone notices the difference. Until the newest dope soon -

Lucien, Barb.