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Dear Joshua, Szilard ought at least ^{to} be member of American Philosophical Society. Vincent duVigneaud suggested to me that you contact Wendell Stanley concerning membership for Szilard in American Philosophical Society. I spent an hour with Szilard. Our lively conversation moved from transposase in K-12 to dances of Indian bees to H bomb. His ideas in the latter direction I find truthful and unsentimental. Yesterday I had a delightful reunion with J.R. Oppenheimer. He has become actively interested in Molecular Biology as a topic at Inst. for Advanced Studies - also to touch off, if possible the development, in the biology dept. at Princeton University. The beginning is very important and I did not hesitate to emphasize you as the right man to initiate it. Hope you derivat mind.

Fondest regards to you and Esther
Sincerely
Hermann.