February 4, 1957

Dear Clive: Spencer

I can make this a short note, since I hope we'll be seeing a good deal of you in person before long. I have two purposes on my mind:

1. As you know, we could not get along without your provision of serums: We are freshly out (or nearly so) of the following:

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(Thanks very much)

2. Here's our tentative itinerary. We're flying from Paris to London March 12 (Tues.) on AF 590, arriving 7:15PM. We hope to stay in London till Monday the 18th, when we're flying up to Glasgow. Then back from Edinburgh the following Sunday, 24th for the Ciba conference that week. (The meetings are Tu-Th, then there's a session of the Roy Soc Med I'll have to give a paper at, Fri.) We fly back to NY Sunday 11PM (PAA 71). 31'.
The Ciba people have us well fixed up at Portland house our whole time in London, which seems the most practical if not the most congenial, perhaps the latter too. We're counting on that first week (12-18) to see London and our friends; we hope you won't be too busy that week. Would you let whoever else cares know about these dates?

3. We made a tape to send you last Thanksgiving, but never got around to recording some vital addenda, so it never was finished. Larry Morse happened to be visiting with us around that time. He seems to be quite happy at Denver.

4. I wonder if this rumor has gotten across the Atlantic-- it's reached the most remarkable people here, but the communication channels are rather noisy. Esther and I had a very refreshing Xmas vacation trip to California, but the aftermath has been quite unsettling, namely and to wit that we are in the throes of indecision as to whether to accept offers, respectively, for new positions at Stanford Univ. (Palo Alto) and at the U. of Calif. (Berkeley). The rumor here has been that we've accepted the latter, which is not true, though we may find ourselves helpless in the face of public opinion. One of the counterpoises is a new development here in medical genetics (as an integrated program of research and training with microbes mice and men.) I hope we will have decided before leaving for this trip. But in any case, we won't be moving until July of next year ('58).

You can see life will be rather complicated. After returning from London, I've got to go out to California again, then back home, then there again in June en route to Melbourne where we'll be with Ribbo and Burnet through August. We have September free for 'pleasure travel'.

Arrivederee,

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