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Dear Tucker:

Thank you for your informative letter. I am glad to be informed of what is going on amongst the oysters. Whether Dr. Menzel is going to be interested in cooperating with me is open to question. I have not heard from him so far. I am under the impression that it would be up to him to make the first move.

The questions he raises in his letter have already been investigated by me and my manuscript is now nearing it's end. It has been a long, drawn-out, and enormously difficult task really.

My son-in-law has moved from Wilmington to Scarsdale so there are no easy excuses for me to visit the Academy. Too bad. For those visits were very productive of scientific results and enormously enjoyable.

On September 1, 1967, I shall return to Baton Rouge. It seems a very nice place, and the people there treat me very well. There is a very good library there, better than all the libraries in Houston combined. However, their holdings on conchology are very meager and will need expansion.

Many thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

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