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Dear Henryk:

Your letter at the time of Miriam's wedding, which we had put aside for very special attention, finally turned up last night with some other similarly sequestered material. We were pleased to hear from you and get the news about your girls, though sad at the news about Elsie.

I don't know quite how long it has been since we saw you and gave you a resume of our family development -- or wrote about it. In brief, Herbert, now an organic chemist, is working for National Cash Register (in research on coatings etc.) at Dayton -- he has 3 children. David (1 child) should be completing work for his Ph. D. at Urbana this summer, in bacteriology with special attention to biochemistry and bacterial genetics under Spiegelman. Joseph, as you probably knew, has been in Israel for some years; he and his family (2 children) live still in the kibbutz at Urim, close to the Gaza strip in the Negev. Raphael is working here in Washington on a geographical project (under Georgetown University) and lives in the suburbs; he has the only local grandchild at the moment. Miriam and husband live at College Park and are both going on with graduate work at Maryland right now. (The grandchildren noted above should total 7.)

In this connection, Miriam and husband (Joseph E. Bernhardt) are considering coming down to your school for Joe to go ahead with graduate work in psychology -- that is, if he qualifies for admittance to the University of Houston graduate school. He has applied some time ago, I believe.

My own location in the Bureau of Mines is somewhat less than two years old. The program I had had under the Navy Department was discontinued about three years ago, and I am working here as Technical Reports Officer and as technologist with regard to the scattered microbiological work under the Bureau. Some of your friends in the Geological Survey are probably among the people I have been meeting, both in connection with routine matters (such as a meeting here in Washington to acquaint the administrators with the existence of the microbiological programs!) and recently when acting as UJA chairman for the Department. Should you visit here, lock me up in the main Interior Building, room 4043, please. (extension 4188).

Sarah is currently working for the Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington, in charge of Jewish Education and related programs; and as you had ~~me~~ probably ~~not~~ already heard, had worked for several years after 1947-48 for the Israel Embassy.

Belated congratulations to Leah and to you on your first grandchild, and to Sonya and Yetta on their scholastic progress, and to you for being now head of your own Department. Quite a nice change from Texas A. and M!
With best wishes from Sarah and me, to all of you,

Walter N. Ezekiel