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Dear Hamner:

In regard to the possibility of your wanting a geneticist there, it has occurred to me that Paton might be well worth considering. We usually think of him as a biochemist but he has become a very competent geneticist as well and would certainly be a good man to develop physiological and biochemical genetics. He's now a research associate at \$2400 and we want to keep him. He'll probably be recommended for a staff position <sup>for next year</sup>. For his own good, however, I would advise him to accept a job elsewhere if he were offered a good one.

Paton is an excellent man all around. He's a fine fellow personally, a top notch researcher and a good teacher. He hasn't had a great deal of teaching experience yet, but is now giving a course in comparative biochemistry.

If you should be interested in this suggestion, we can give you more dope.

Sincerely, Beadle