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Dear Roger, thank you for your letter of Jan 2.  
I do agree with you on all points about P. Weiss.  
I have re-acknowledged again in the Kuffler Lecture  
which I gave last May (you can read it in the  
"Collected Essays") one of his many important  
conceptual break-throughs, and ~~that~~ was also  
on good terms with him, until he snubbed me  
on an important occasion in the 1970's.

But all his accomplishments and merits  
do not erase one serious reservation ~~to~~  
about his scientific work, that is related to  
his highly developed Ego. He spent the best  
decade of his life on numerous experiments  
to prove his explanation of "homologous"  
response" about which he was on the wrong  
track. I have the feeling that his stubborn-  
ness in this matter was due to his conviction  
that he knows best how it all works. Someone  
once said that he carried out a dialogue  
with the subway, and the subway was more  
clever than he. I got the impression that  
Paul would have felt the other way.