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Dear VH,

We planned to write right after we got back from the meetings - still can't catch up with all the work.

We certainly enjoyed getting to see you and only wished that we could have gotten to spend a little more time. The main thing that I would have liked to discuss more is the matter of possible job openings.

As I think Eleanor pointed out to you, we have never considered ourselves strongly committed to Kansas. Even with the farm, we have always been careful not to invest in anything that we couldn't get rid of without loss at any time. The imminent move of the medical school to Kansas City (Fall 1962) presents the obvious time to make a move if we are going to do so. If we make the switch to Zoology and become established there, we will probably consider ourselves permanently established here.

The situation here is by no means intolerable though it could certainly be improved upon.

We would particularly like your reaction to the position at Illinois. The reaction of most people to whom we have talked has been - "Don't get involved in that." However the only thing that we can see wrong with it is the conflict between experimental people and the natural history and museum people. We are assured of a full blown conflict of that type if we go into Zoology at KU!

We also heard second hand of an opening at the University of New Hampshire - didn't sound too attractive but thought I would ask if you knew anything about it.

We realize that our lack of publications is our greatest handicap in finding another position - are trying to rectify that as quickly as possible but it can't be done immediately. The paper with Al Butt will be out in an early issue of Developmental Biology.

If it should appear that anything could be gained by our coming to St. Louis, it could probably be arranged.

Best personal regards,

Ry