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Dear Henry:

I gather that the Lab is a real hive of activity. You may be approaching Jerry Stamler's level of over-commitment! I shall be bewildered by all the strange faces when I get back. Sorry that John Villandre is leaving; he has been too long under-employed.

The enclosed copy of a letter to Menotti may set a better note than my last. I was more than a little annoyed that he gets his major income from me but is totally a slave of the hospital lately. But that is a part of the current bad Italian medical system.

Here we have had lots of rain for a week and the thermometer is stuck between 50 and 56°. We sit at desks and the typewriter and watch the squalls on the sea and the ever-changing clouds. But things grow and we have far more citrus fruits, lettuce and finocchi than we can eat.

Regards to all,

Ancel Keys