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Dear Henry,

Your telegram arrived shortly after the long letter re computer, etc. On the latter, yes there has been inadequate communication. I suppose in the future I should make formal requests for an appointment with you. You are quite difficult for me to catch, busy with conferences and away much of the rest of the time. I still do not understand why David Jacobs did not inform me earlier that all bets were off unless I came up with cash in hand to pay for computer time and, I suppose, for his time programming a job with him to be a joint author.

Anyway, that job is being done at Rome; Alessandro Menotti says I should have the printouts in a day or two. The way the job was laid out I shall be able to do all essential further calculations on my HP 67, using the Mantel-Haenszel method for chi-square with one degree of freedom combining many subsets of 4-fold tables. The prime virtue is that the result will be multi-variate analyses, choosing any number of cutting points and combining cohorts as may be desirable and justifiable, all with no assumptions about the character of the distribution of the variables.

I shall be most happy to take part in the Henry Taylor colloquium. Margaret would like to join but besides the cost there is the matter of travel fatigue. I shall plan to arrive in Minneapolis a couple of days before the colloquium so as to be in reasonably good shape for the Saturday and would return to Italy a day or two later. I am glad no formal paper is required.

As previously planned, we shall overlap with the Stamlers here in the first part of April and leave for Minneapolis about the 12th to stay perhaps four weeks with time along the way for a visit with our son Henry and the grandchildren in Rochester, New York. Then we'll be in Tunis May 12-15 where we'll meet Paco Grande and perhaps Gloria too. We'll return to Italy and Margaret will stay at Minnelea while I make the trip for the Taylor do.

I enclose, as requested, a letter to Stauffer; I trust it is OK. When we are in Minneapolis in April I want to see about the possibility of asking for a grant to enable me to get on with my long-time plans for analyses of relations between body shape, relative weight, fatness, relative weight standards, and mortality. I would think of a two-year program to cover clerical and computer costs, office supplies and postage, publication and perhaps something for the 15% of my time that would be required -- maybe \$30,000 all told.

Here we are excessively busy but well. Now I await Sven Punsar's response about the ms I sent him on the 1956 Finns and HDL. Martti Karvonen and Alessandro Menotti say OK for the Lancet and I'll get a copy to you when I hear from Sven. Regards *Amal*