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Dear Henry:

Thank you very much for yours of January 16 and the enclosure.

I have the advantage of not having read the item referred to in the copy of Dr. Blackburn's letter to Dr. Rhoads and therefore am not really in a position to judge the matter. I think I can comment authoritatively with regard to the middle paragraph page 2 of the Rhoads letter that this polemic does not approach the dimensions of the adrenal secretion one. I will remind you that I spent some little time working with Dr. Swingle many years ago and had the opportunity to visualize that particular matter first hand.

While I do mean to look into the article and try to familiarize myself with the matter, let me say that I have essentially a negative position in the entire affair. For one thing I am a personal friend of and a considerable admirer of all of the people concerned, except, of course, Dr. Blackburn whom I know only very slightly. I think perhaps I enjoy a dialectic more than some of my scientific colleagues.

Give my warmest personal regards to all at the University of Minnesota, and with best personal regards. I remain

Sincerely,

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