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Dear Don:

Happy New Year, etc.!

I turned your recent letter over to Prof. Francis L. Smith, Department of Agronomy. He is the local world authority on beans. He will write to you in due course, he said. You might turn his name over to your American bean amateur friend as a future contact.

Our stay in England was most enjoyable but not to be compared with our expedition to Australia. I would not want to live in the UK although there are many fine features there & if I had to live in a large city I would like it to be London. We still have high hopes of coming back to Australia for a prolonged visit. In fact it was only with great difficulty & much heart ache that I decided not to take the CSIRO job last year. I am not yet convinced I made the right choice. While some things are better here, other aspects are worse. No doubt I would have the same questions had I made the other choice!

We are enjoying peace & quiet at home. Elizabeth Ann chose to stay another year at her girls boarding school in England and Bob married an English girl

When are you going to have another world tour?

I don't believe I ever thanked you for the last anthropological material you sent - the recording of the savage native orgy entitled "Tie me kangaroo down". It was so frightening, I let it influence my decision about coming to Australia for the

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1960 conference. One can only admire the courage of the intrepid field workers who dare to go out among the natives and collect such material!

Annie is fine & we trust your family & friends are the same.

Yours
Harlan