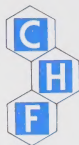


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9 March 1997

Dr. Alfred Bader  
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Dear Dr. Bader,

Thank you very much for your additional information about Wilhelm Matthes, and the information about how to contact Dr. Tauber. By the way, I have met Dr. Rosner some time ago at a conference in Innsbruck.

If it does not cause you any problems, I would like to read a transcript of the interview with your uncle.

With my best wishes  
und mit freundlichen Gruessen

Yours sincerely

*Art Dickmann*

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*A Chemist Helping Chemists*

November 1, 1996

Dr. Ute Deichmann  
c/o Chemical Heritage Foundation  
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Dear Dr. Deichmann:

I enjoyed chatting with you today.

Next week in New York is so hectic that it might be better to meet in January when we will be visiting my son and his family in Bucks County, Pennsylvania and then drive to New York City for the Old Master sales. Of course, I will let you know of my travel plans when I know them.

Since sending a rough draft of my essay on anti-Semitism among Austrian chemists to Dr. Thackray for his opinion, I have read Goldhagen's book and have made some rather substantial changes to the last few pages of the manuscript. There are no changes in the earlier pages, and I now enclose the corrected pages. I would very much appreciate your frank opinion of this essay.

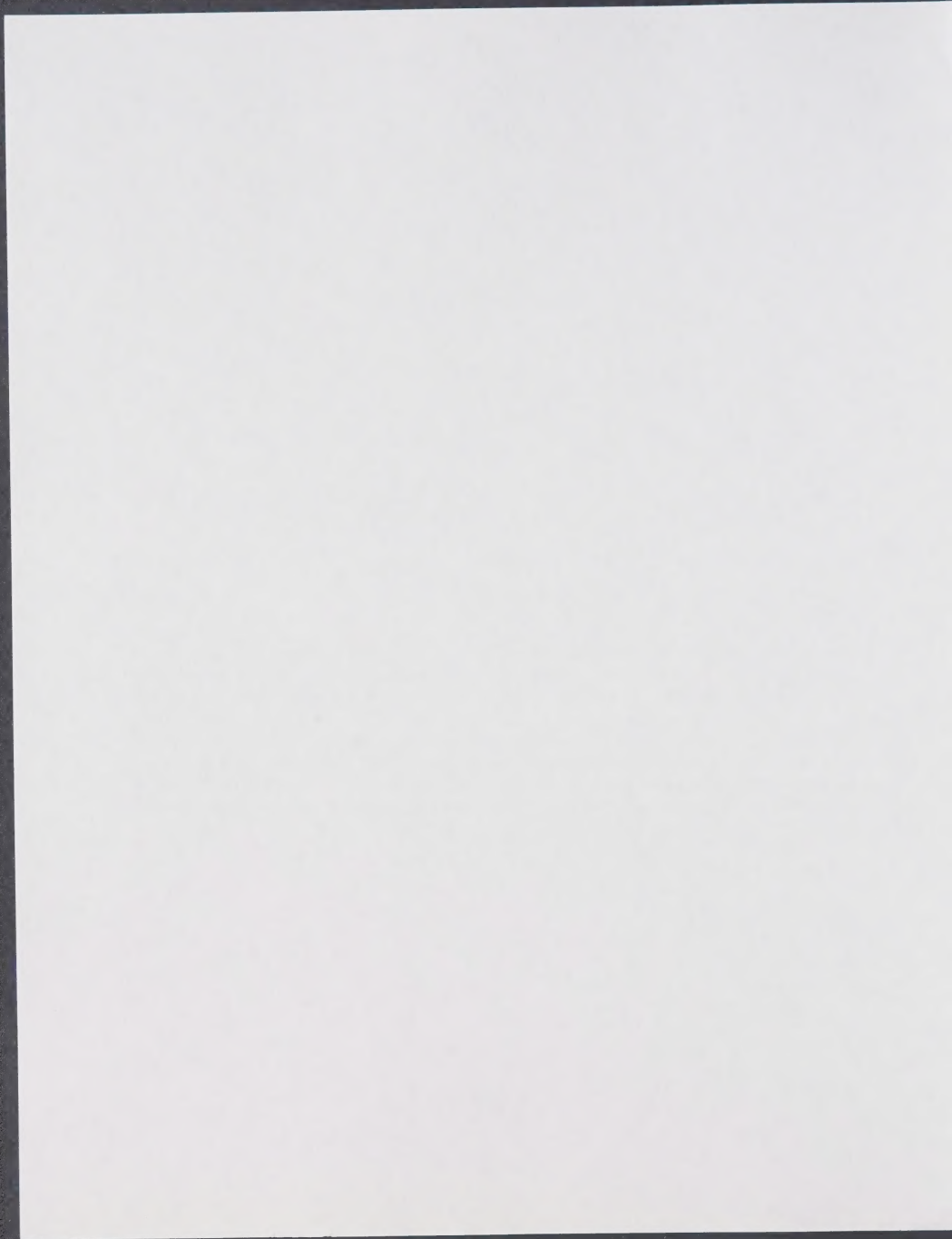
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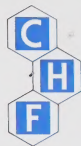
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20 December 1996

Dr. Alfred Bader  
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Dear Dr. Bader,

I have read your essay on chemistry and anti-Semitism in Vienna in the 19th century with great interest, especially since I am not familiar with the situation of Jews during this period in Austria. Meissner was certainly an exceptional person. It's too bad, also probably for the sake of Jews that he was an incompetent chemist. The story of Wilhelm Wertheim is indeed moving and telling. I find it remarkable (though not surprising) that the Catholic church was so strongly opposed to Jews being granted equal rights. In my opinion your article leaves the question open whether Loschmidt was an anti-Semite. Treitschke in Berlin who was probably one of the greatest anti-Semites during his time, had Jewish friends, too, whom he wanted to exempt from his attempts to create a unified Christian academic world. Do you know whether Loschmidt also publicly supported Jews who wanted to become professors in Austria? Or whether he defended them against anti-Semitic attacks?

The questions I would like to ask you are related to the forced emigration of chemists from Nazi Germany and Austria to the US.

1) Looking at those chemists who had already a position in Austria or Germany before they had to leave, I find that physical chemists, especially Herman Mark, and biochemists, as for example Max Bergmann, became the most eminent refugee chemists in the US. Do you know whether there were also organic chemists among the refugees of that generation who became eminent in academia or industry?

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2) Have you known some emigre chemists of that generation personally? (Apart from Bernard Witkop who might be considered as a late emigre since he could not leave Germany during the war. I read in your book about your unpleasant and later pleasant meetings with him.)

3) My next question is concerned with those chemists who came to the US when they were still pupils or students. Of them, you have certainly become the most outstanding and influential person in chemical industry, and I must say that I enjoyed very much reading your fascinating autobiography. I know also Carl Djerassi and his achievements. Do you know who else of the chemists came to the US as a German or Austrian refugee?

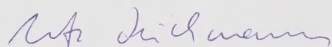
4) You wrote about your friendship with Herbert Bondy. I would be very much interested to know whether he told you about his experiences with Staudinger as scientist and person, especially after 1933.

5) Did the fact that so many German and Austrian chemists of industry and academia had compromised with the Nazi regime and anti-Semitism have impact on your economic cooperation after the war? I could imagine that in some cases the cooperation could have become quite difficult. On the other hand I was told that for example Herman Mark did not care at all whether a person had been an Nazi or not because he didn't want to think of bad things in the past.

I would be very grateful if you had the time to answer some of my questions or if it were possible to meet some time in New York.

Meanwhile I take the opportunity to send you my best wishes for the New Year.

Yours sincerely



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*A Chemist Helping Chemists*

January 13, 1997

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Dear Dr. Deichmann:

I hope that you received my long, hand-written fax from England and that you found this helpful.

Will we be able to meet in New York or in Pennsylvania at the end of this month?

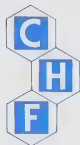
I look forward to hearing from you and remain,

Yours sincerely,

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To: Dr. Alfred Bader  
924 East Juneau, Suite 622  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

November 6, 1996

Dear Dr. Bader,

Thank you for sending me the revised pages of the manuscript of your essay, which I read with great interest. Since I will not be in Philadelphia for about two weeks, I will be able to read the whole essay only then. I will write you about my opinion.

I am looking forward to seeing you in January.

Sincerely

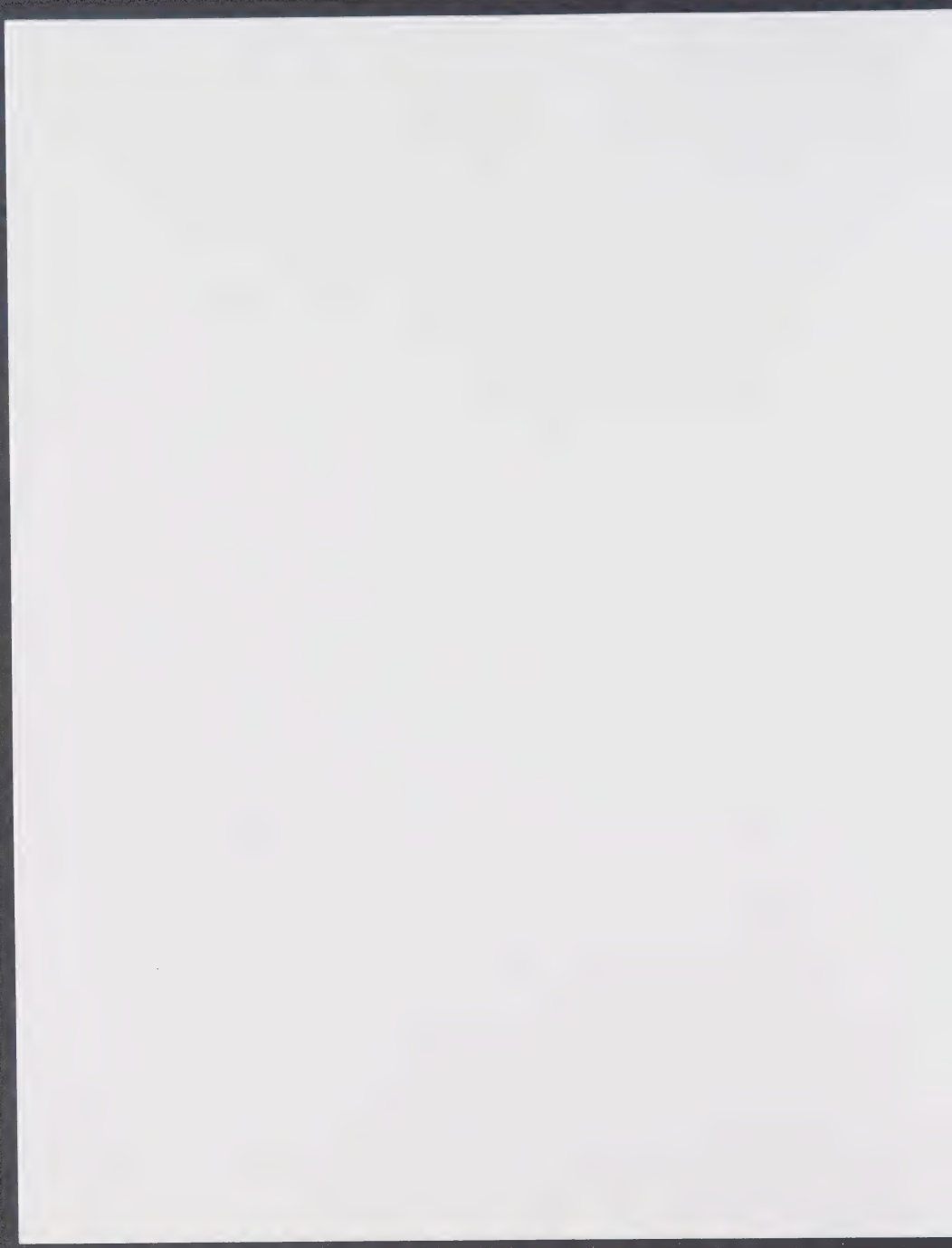
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*A Chemist Helping Chemists*

February 5, 1997

Dr. Ute Deichmann  
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315 Chestnut Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19106-2702

Dear Dr. Deichmann:

Isabel and I so enjoyed the hour we spent together and I want to thank you particularly for giving me your book on biologists.

I read that with great interest last weekend. May I ask you for a favor? Lisa Meitner's letter is a most moving document. Could you send me a xerox copy of the German text of that letter - I presume, of course, that it was written in German and not in English.

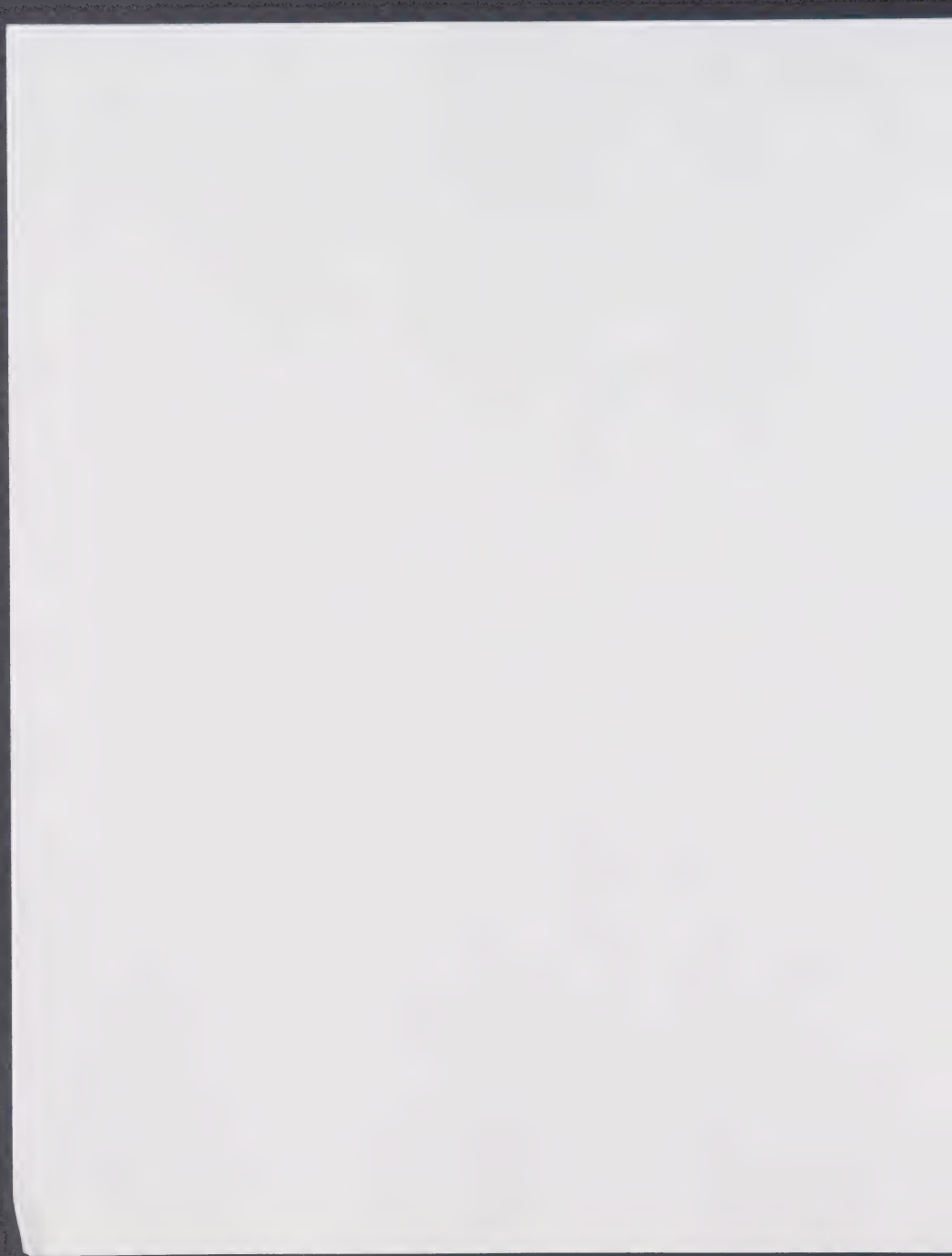
There are two very able chemists in Vienna, both in their eighties, whom you might be interested in interviewing. One is Paul Löw-Beer and the other is Robert Tauber. Both are described in some detail in my autobiography and if you're interested I would be happy to send you their addresses and telephone numbers.

Paul Löw-Beer spent the war in England and then returned to Vienna and converted his father's textile company to a chemical company. Robert Tauber spent the war in Shanghai and then returned to Vienna.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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*A Chemist Helping Chemists*

March 21, 1997

Dr. Ute Deichmann  
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Dear Dr. Deichmann:

Enclosed please find the transcript of the interview with my mother's brother.

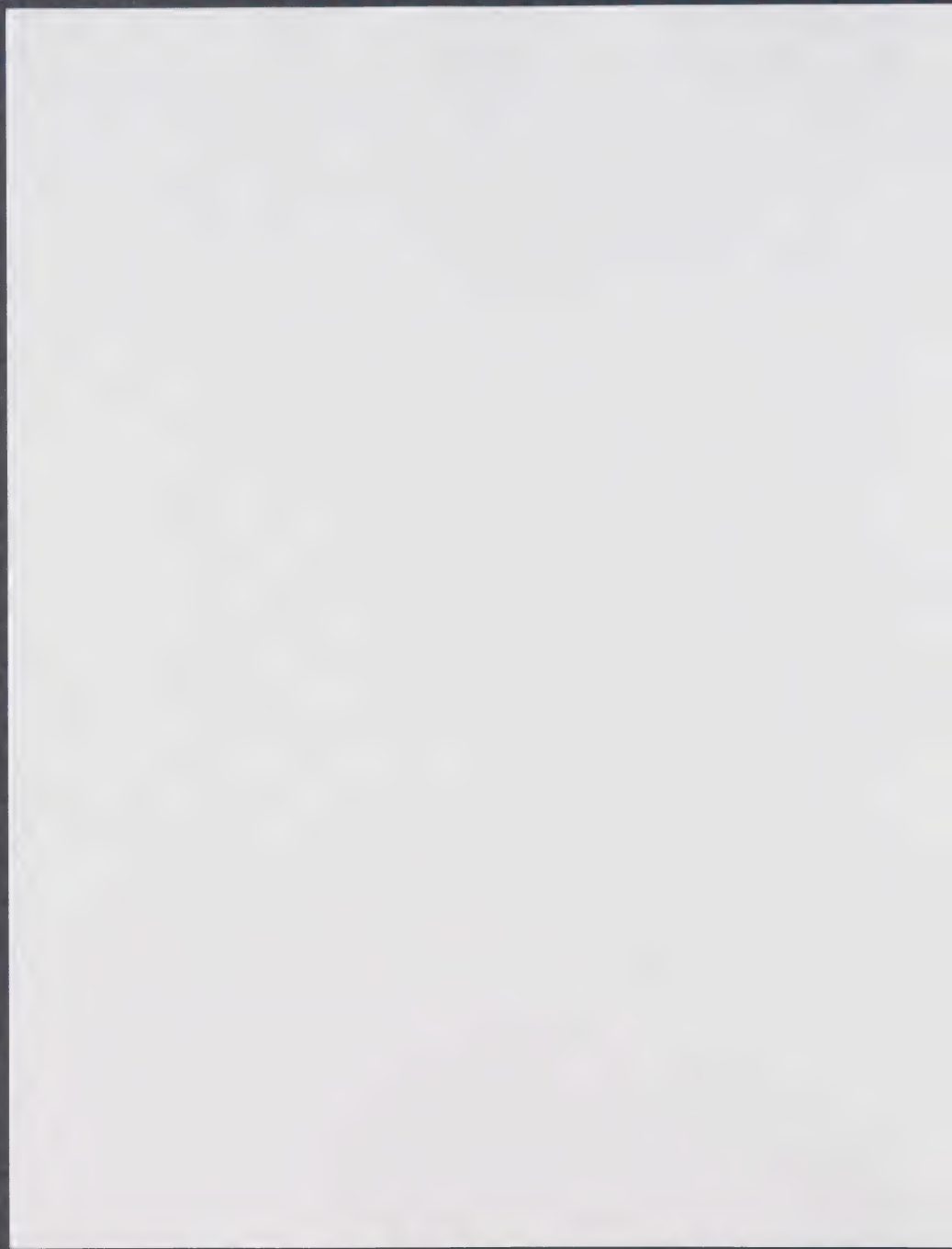
The famous journalist, Walter Winchell, wrote some scathing articles about a Nazi like that being allowed into the country. My oldest cousin, also called Nicholas, wrote to me about this, and his letter, copy enclosed, will be self-explanatory. Incidentally I know all of this man's children quite well and they are good people. One son, Peter Serenyi, is Professor of Art History at Northeastern University. He fell in love with a Jewess in St. Louis and her parents threatened to kill him if he continued his attention to their daughter. He went through a deep depression as a result of this.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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*A Chemist Helping Chemists*

January 20, 1997

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To: Dr. Uté Deichmann  
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Dear Dr. Deichmann:

Thank you for your fax of January 16th and your willingness to come to New York to meet me.

However, looking at my calendar that might not be necessary.

Isabel and I will attend Christie's New York Old Masters sale on Friday morning January 31st but should be finished at that sale around 11:30 a.m. We could then go to our hotel which is on Broadway, pick up our luggage and take a train from Penn Station to Philadelphia.

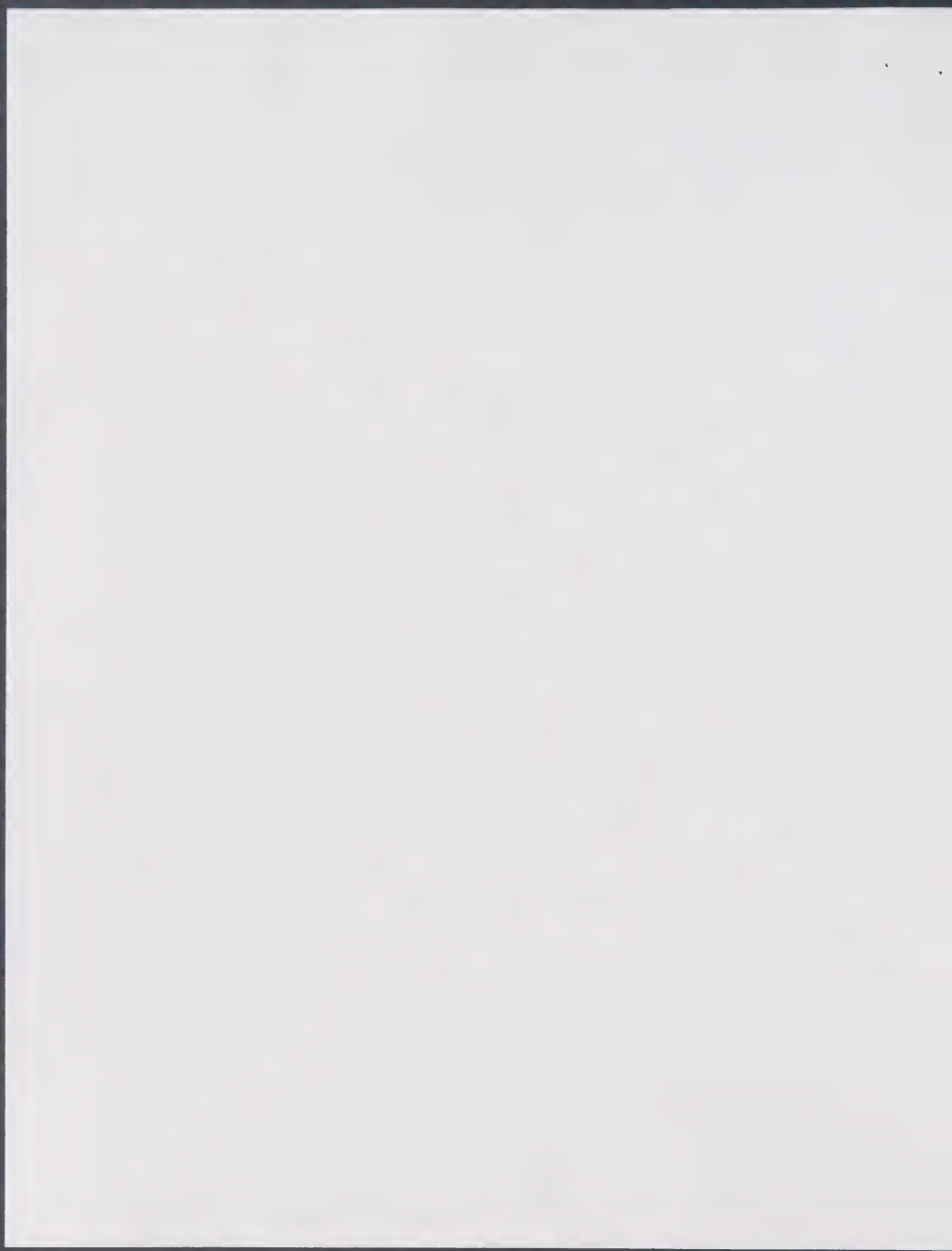
Thus, we could meet in Philadelphia early that Friday afternoon. That should be easier on you and might have a great benefit for us that we might also have half-an-hour to chat with Dr. Arnold Thackray. I would like to take his advice about two historical papers I have written. One of these is a paper on antisemitism in Austria, which you have read, and the other is a paper on Prussian Blue. Could you please ask Arnold whether he could give us a little time that afternoon.

We plan to spend the weekend with my family living near Frenchtown, but on the Pennsylvania side, and my son David has told me that he could pick us up by car at the Chemical Heritage Foundation. Am I correct in thinking that you and Arnold will be there, specifically at 315 Chestnut Street? I much look forward to hearing from you and remain with best personal regards, yours sincerely,

AB/nik

fax c: Mr. David Bader







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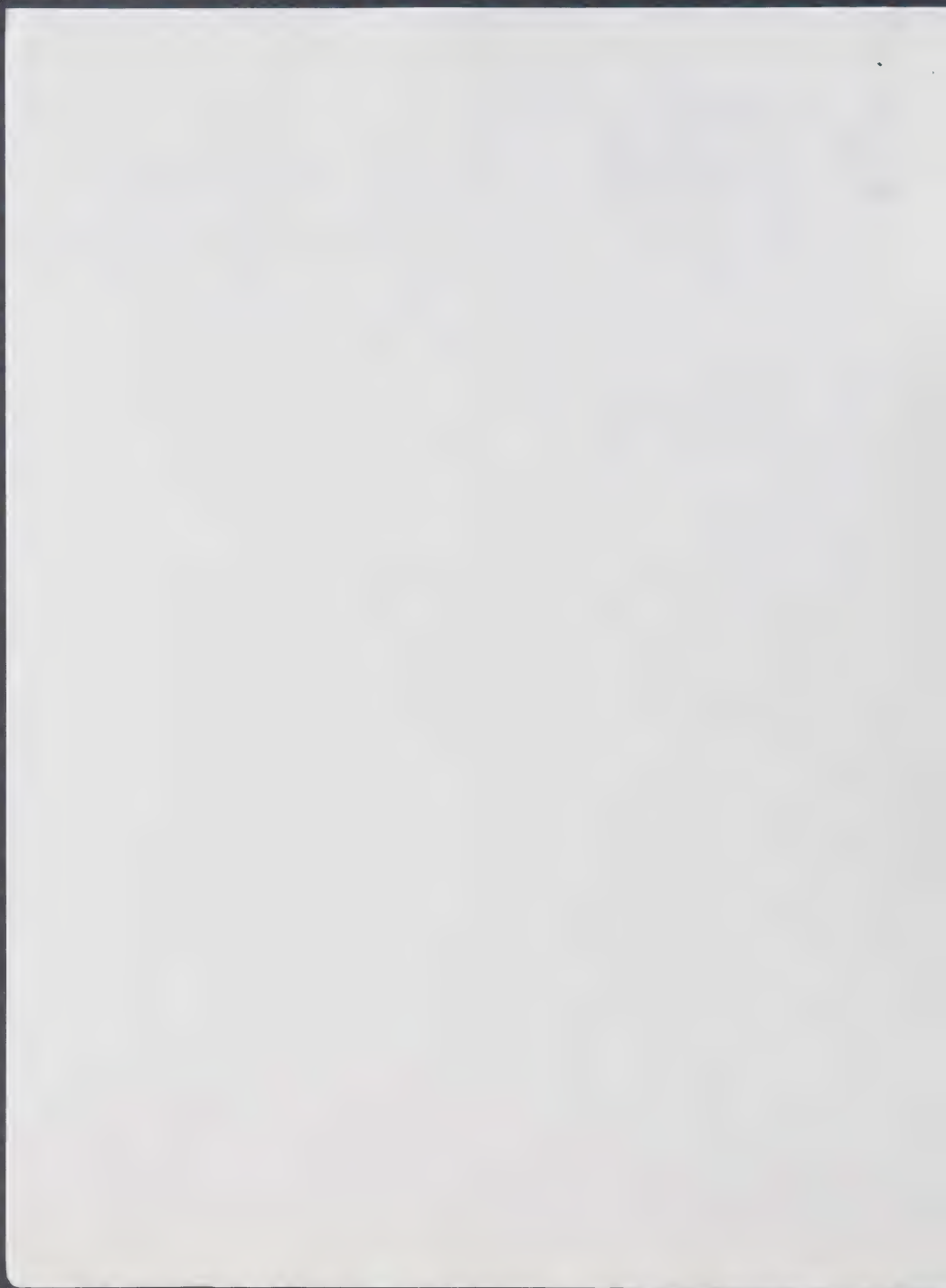
Dear Dr. Bader:

Thank you very much for your long fax with the interesting information. I have already spoken with Roldo Rohmann, and I thank you for notifying me about the autobiographical films. Since I just returned from Minneapolis therefore I could not answer earlier. I would like to meet you in New York by the end of this month, January 30 or 31 would be most convenient for me, but if you preferred January 29, I would try to make it. For me it would be fine to meet you in the morning or in the afternoon. Just let me know what

*Eric J. Vandenberg*

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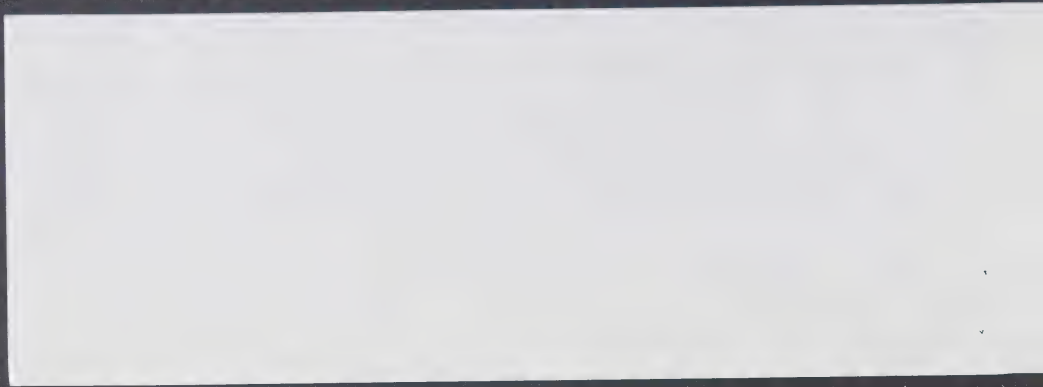
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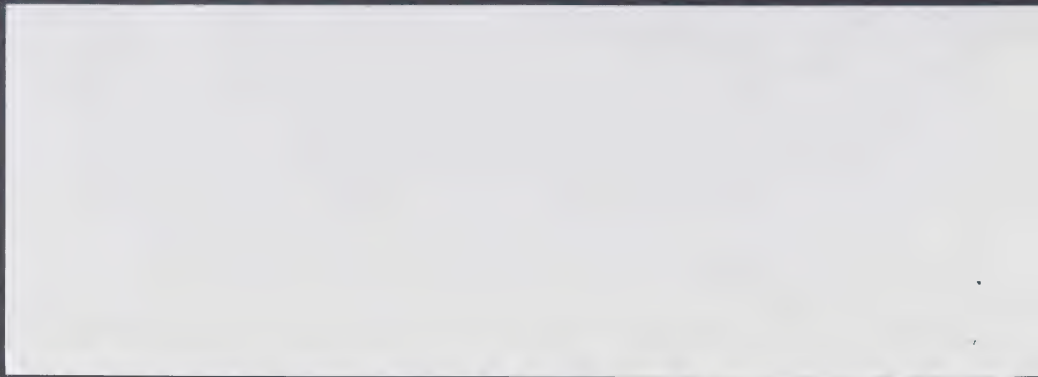
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*A Chemist Helping Chemists*

May 21, 1996

Dr. Ute Deichmann  
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Dear Dr Deichmann:

The Aldrich Chemical Company has forwarded your letter of April 22nd.

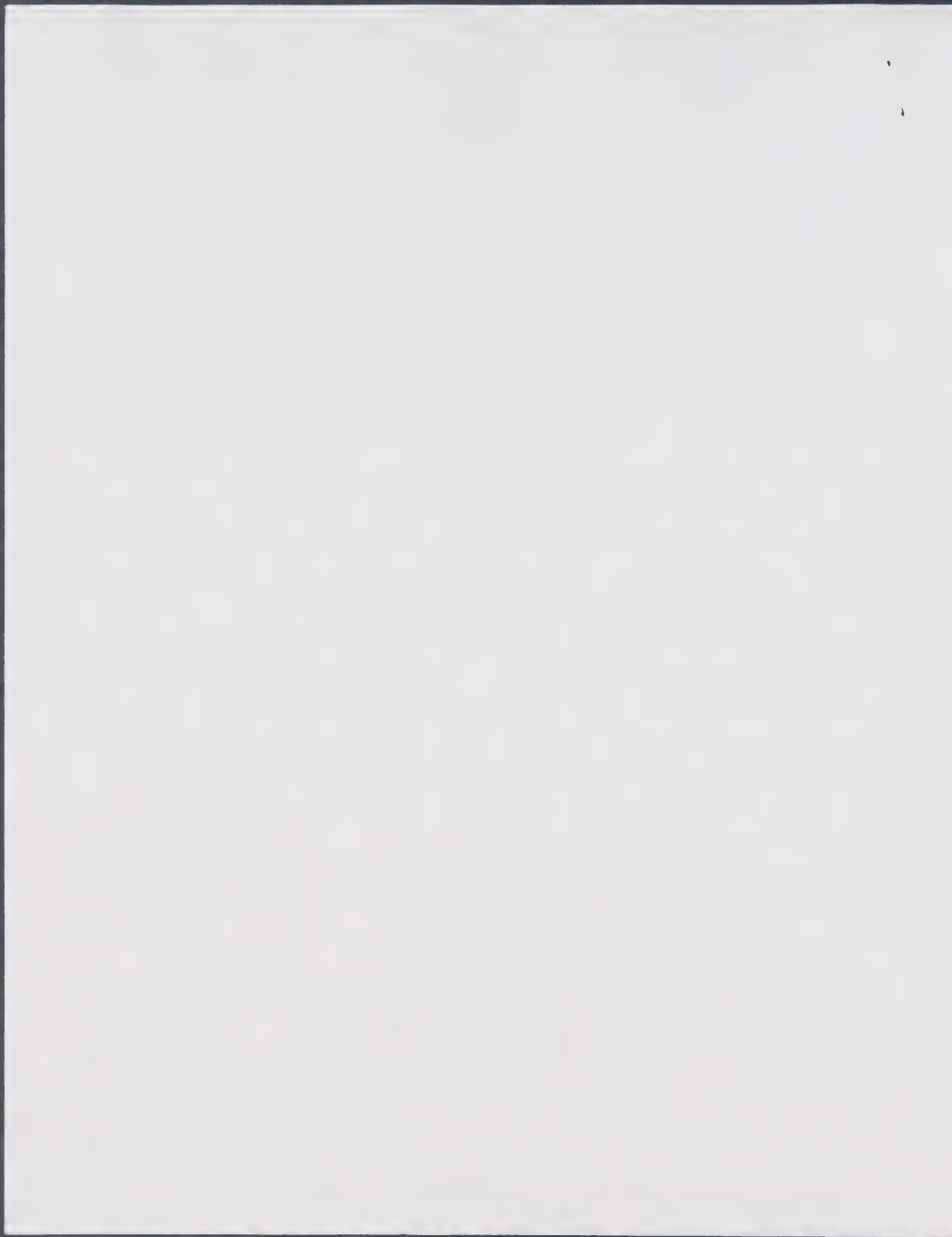
If you are interested in the details of my life, you can read about these in my autobiography, *Adventures of a Chemist Collector*. A book review is enclosed. Within the next few weeks, the *Angewandte Chemie* will have a more detailed review in German.

If you have any questions, please write to me to my English address, White Gables, 2A Holmesdale Road, Bexhill-on-Sea, East Sussex TN39 3QE, England, where my wife and I will be from May 26th through June 2nd and again for most of the month of July.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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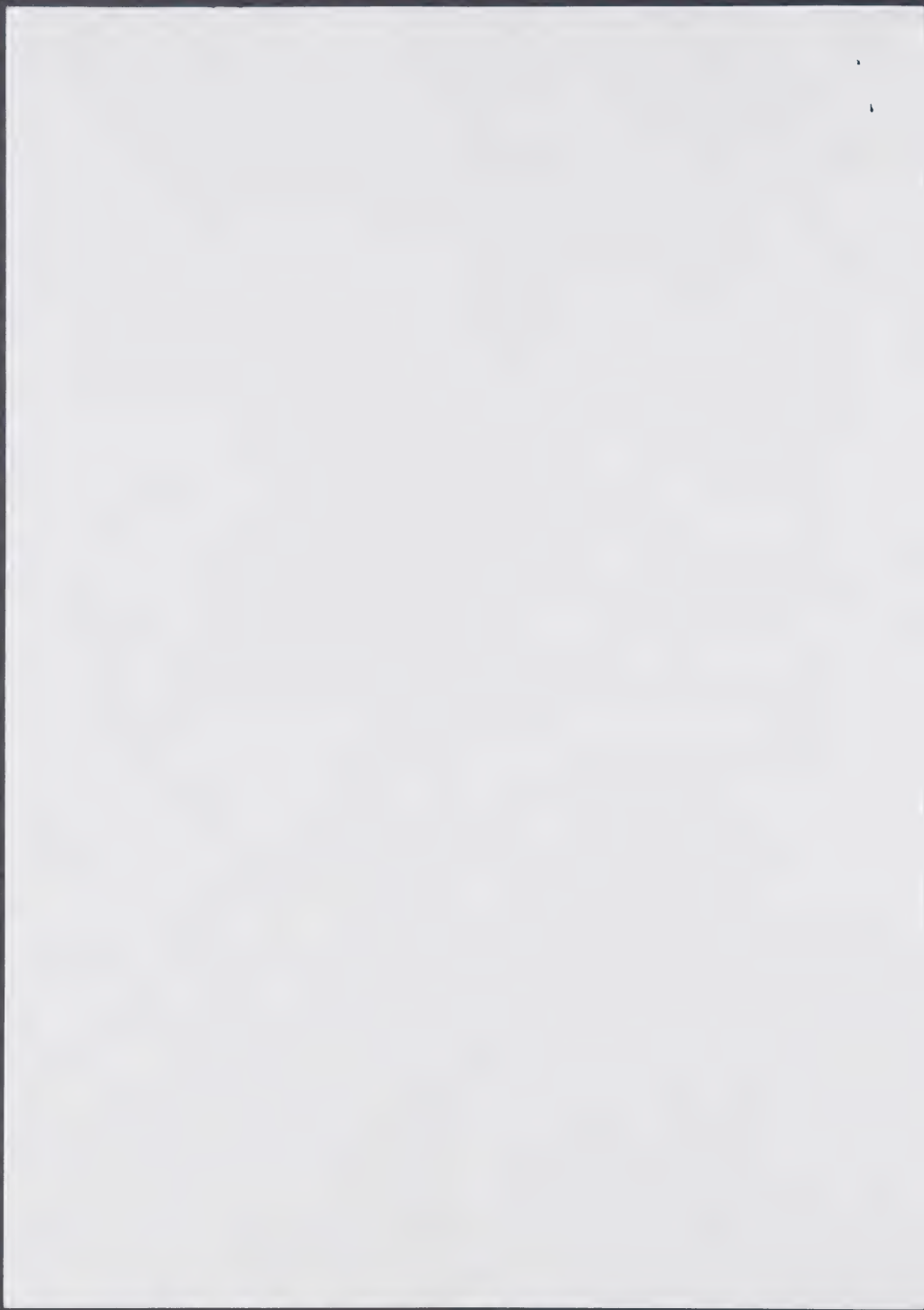
Dear Sirs,

May I ask you help for my current research? I am working on the impact of the forced emigration of chemists from Nazi Germany and Austria. Therefore I would like to contact Dr. Alfred Bader, and I kindly ask you to send me his address.

I thank you very much for your help in advance, and I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

*Ute Deichmann*





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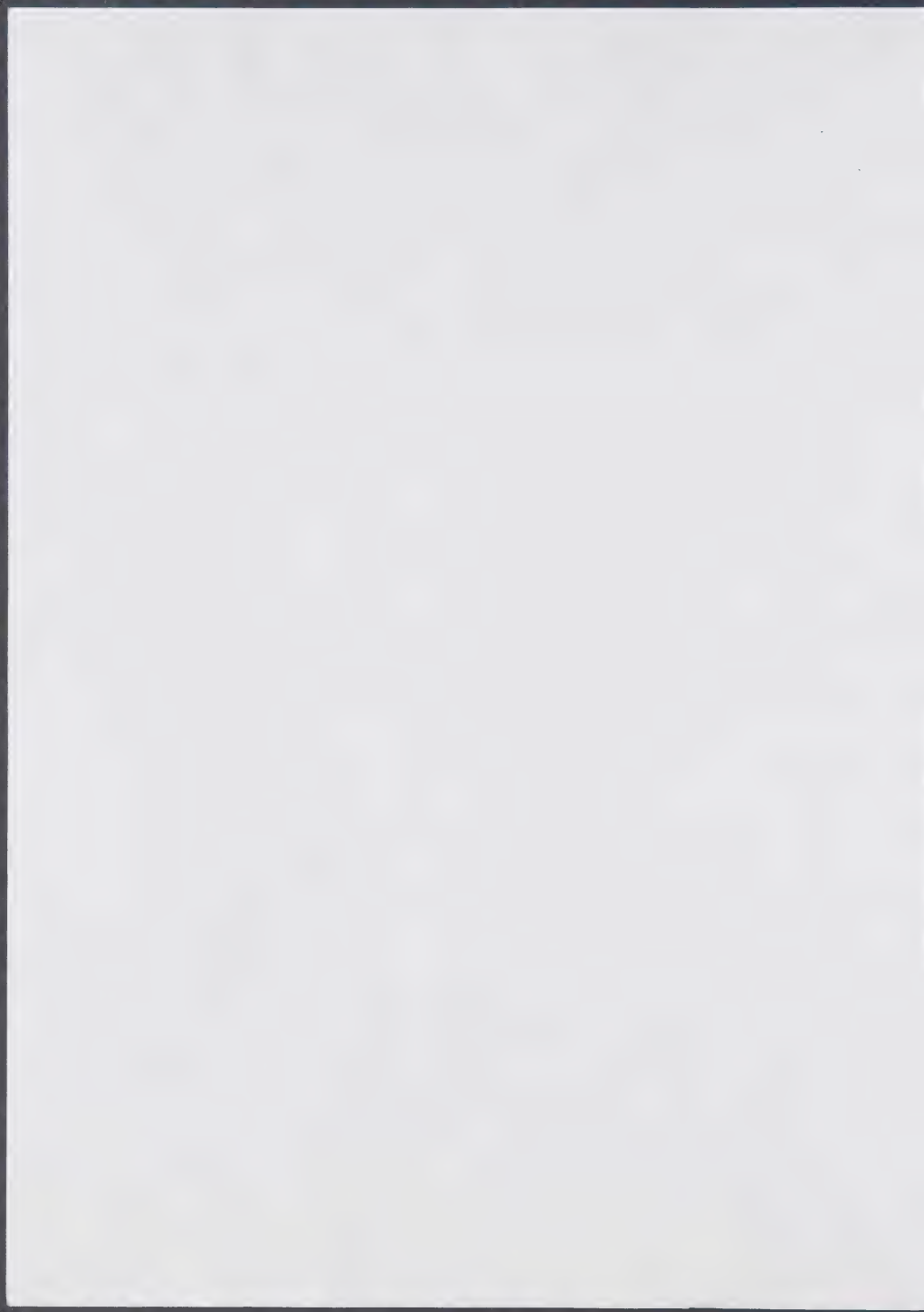
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Dr. Alfred Bader  
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England

Dear Dr. Bader,

Thank you very much for your letter and the review on your autobiography. Already the review shows me how admirable - in so many respects - your life and your achievements are. I ordered a copy of the book, but did not yet receive it.

May I shortly introduce myself to you? I studied biology and after several years of teaching biology and chemistry at a Gymnasium, I started research about biology in Nazi Germany under the supervision of Prof. B. Müller-Hill at the Institute for Genetics of the University of Koeln. My Ph.D. Dissertation was translated and published this year by Harvard University Press with the title "Biology and under Hitler". Now I am carrying out research about chemists and chemistry in Nazi Germany and Austria. One of my major topics is the impact of the expulsion and emigration of Jewish chemists. I am looking primarily at life and work of academic chemists. So far I could identify 134 chemists at universities and Kaiser Wilhelm-Institutes who were dismissed and who in most cases left Germany. But I try to find out as much as I can also about



those persons who had to leave Nazi Germany or Austria before they got a position or completed their studies and also about those who later became industrial chemists. And about those who did not manage to leave Germany in time.

In this context I would like to ask your help. I am sure that I will find many answers to my questions concerning yourself in your autobiography. But I can imagine that you got to know many other emigré chemists working either at universities or at chemical companies, particularly Aldrich. And I would greatly appreciate if you gave me some names and further information about their life and work. If you were interested and had the time for it, I would like to talk with you about some of your experiences and about chemists whom you know who were forced to leave Nazi Germany or Austria.

I could come either to England or, from November onwards, to the U.S., where I will spend several months of research mainly in Philadelphia, but also in other places.

With good wishes und freundlichen Grüßen

Yours sincerely

*W. Lichmann*







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To: Dr. Ute Reichmann  
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Sehr geehrte Frau Dr. Reichmann:

Danke für Ihre Zeilen vom 20. d. M.

Natürlich werde ich Ihnen gerne helfen, und wie  
Sie aus meinem Buch erfahren werden, kenne ich viele  
Emigrantens Chemiker.

Meine Frau und ich sind bis 26. Juli in  
England. Nachdem Sie das Buch gelesen haben,  
rufen Sie mich bitte an, und wir können dann  
entscheiden, wo ein Treffen am besten wäre.

Freundliche Grüsse

Alfred R. Bader



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