

14th April, 1947.

My dear Chester,

Thanks for your letter, and for taking trouble over my offprints and the hypothetical Toastmaster. I hear from this end that the American Naturalist failed to receive my corrected proofs with offprints for the offprints, published my paper full of errors and can only offer a small number of complete copies of the journal in lieu of offprints. This is a confounded nuisance, but cannot be helped.

There is certainly a strong body of opinion in line with mine as to the future of the International Statistical Institute, but I gravely doubt if we shall get beyond highest intention unless the body of research statisticians which your committee represents shows its vigilance and concern during the Washington meeting, and manages to rejuvenate the American membership of the Institute by a considerable accession of new members.

Thank you for letting me know of the New Haven meeting of the Institute of Mathematical Statistics, if it seems possible I should certainly like to be in the States by September 1, with a view to meeting you there.

Yours sincerely.