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Dear Dr. Reber:

It was with much regret that we read in your October letter that you wouldn't be with us at the symposium this year. At the same time, we all feel pleased that you are still active in research. Perhaps what you do in Tasmania will be of interest to the symposia members another year. We wish you success in this study.

We would be very pleased if you would send us a message of greeting to be read at the May 13, meeting. The meeting will be a special one since it will also be the 1972 convention of the Great Lakes Region of the Astronomical League. Everyone would be delighted to hear from you.

The program this year will include Dr. Hiltner, Von Del Chamberlain, Michigan State U., (Fireball Trajectories), Mark Christensen (Astrophotographers), Dick Teske, U. of Michigan's McMath-H. Observatory, and John Mangus, Goddard Flight Center (Space Optics). Mr. Mangus will probably present the banquet speech (not with organ accompaniment).

Tomorrow is the day that the Toledo Board of Ed. will open bidds for our new telescope. We finally get it (with the help of many) We expect low bid to come from Group 128. Its a shame to put a 16" in our present observatory with all those mercury lights around, so we are presently negotiating with the park board for a nice dark place in thir Secor Park- some 10 miles out of Toledo.

Once again, good luck on your research.

Bol Gardner

P.S. My young son wanted me to ast if you've seen any Tasmanian Devels?