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Dear Jesse:

Thank you for your letter of Dec. 29th and previous telephone conversation regarding the Archaeological Series for *Tanner Modular Publications*. Since I talked with you I have reviewed my schedule of commitments and now find that I will not have time to do justice to writing a paper on lithic technology. I am now trying to complete three papers for *J.S.U.*, am advising on the *Time-Life Nature* series, have trips to make to Anchorage, London and the meetings in S.F., plus the field school and working with my assistant Bill Statham. To make matters worse, I have not fully recovered the use of my right leg which was collapsed due to a blood clot and my doctor advised that I must curtail my activities. Just turned down Jose Lorenze to assist on *Mapacoya* material. It is with much regret that I decline this offer for you have, indeed, honored me by considering my work for this series.

I can only think of two persons who I feel would do this type of paper justice - Francois Bordes and Jacques Tixier. However, Francois told me that he would never do a paper on technology. If so, this leaves Tixier who I feel could and would do a fine job. I don't know if you know this man, but he is an outstanding French archaeologist, an excellent flintknapper, a fine writer and a great typologist. His English is excellent - so no problem there. Also, he has a very fine artist, Michel Dauvois who has just completed his own book on the polyhedral core and who would do a fine job with the drawings. I would not hesitate to recommend Jacques for any writings on lithic technology. His address is: Jacques Tixier, Museum National D'Histoire Naturelle, Prehistorique, Institut de Paleontologie humaine, 1 Rue Rene Panhard, Paris, X111, France. Hope you can get him to do this part of the series.

I visited the University of Hawaii in December and worked with Dick Gould who said he was preparing a paper for the series and am sure it will be a fine one.

I hope you will excuse me for leaping before I looked but I really wanted to participate in this series and did not stop to consider my schedule. It may be that I will have to forego the field school this summer for the same reasons.

Again, thank you for considering me for this writing and I am disappointed that I can not accept.

With best wishes,

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