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## 1. Golden-2.

The location of golden-2 still seems to be in doubt if my survey of the News Letters is complete. In recent years it has been included in the long arm of the seventh linkage group near <u>Bn</u>, twenty units to the right of <u>ij</u>, in a number of publications, apparently on the basis of the following data from Sprague (N. I. 14, 1940).

g<sub>2</sub> <u>ij</u> RS 310 118 101 3 532 20% recombination

Brink and Arney in 1942 (N.L. 16, p. 34) report linkage of g<sub>2</sub> with T3-7b (35.90; 7L.03) of 11.3% while earlier in the 1937 News Letter (p. 14), Brink had reported g<sub>2</sub> and d<sub>1</sub> linkage indicating a chromosome 3 location. I have some data to report which do nothing to resolve the matter.

Genes X Y	Phase	XY	Ху	Υx	ху	Total	Recombination	
Chrom <sub>e</sub> 3	CB	93	97	86	80	356	ca 51%	
Chrom. 7 G2 Pn G2 Pn G2 Bd	CB CS RS	72 126 168	77 40 54	92 96 62	99 40 18	340 302 302	ca 50% ca 42% ca 49%	

Only the coupling-self (CS) of  $\underline{G}_2$   $\underline{P}_1$  shows a significant deviation from the expected 1:1 ratio of independent gene segregation. Since I find Papyrescent  $(\underline{P}_1)$  somewhat difficult to classify in certain cultures, this family may not be indicative of linkage.

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## 2. Golden-4.

A variety of observations suggest that the stock of golden- $l_1$  carried by the Coop is not really golden- $l_1$ , but more likely golden- $l_2$ . The  $F_1$  of  $g_1 \times g_1$  is golden in colour. In addition a supposedly 3-point linkage test with wx and  $bm_1$  on chromosome 9 showed no significant deviation from a l:l:l:l:l:l:l:l:l:l ratio indicating independent assortment of golden with both wx and  $bm_1$ . The previously indicated position of  $g_1$  is between wx and  $bm_1$ .

F <sub>1</sub>	Parental	Region	Region 2	Region 1-2	Total
+ + + + wx gl bml	74 67 141 26• 2%	77 77 154 28 <b>.</b> 6%	70 61 131 24• 3%	62 50 112 20.8%	538