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Mr. George W. Marshall, Jr.
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Dear Mr. Marshall:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 24th calling my attention to the article on cancer in the "Scientific American". The reference made was quoted from a report on environmental cancer by W. C. Hueper, M.D., Cancer Control Branch, National Cancer Institute. During the last few years, quite a number of articles claim that carcinoma of the lungs was found due to asbestos. Those I have read do not give much substantiating evidence, but you will find that it is being quoted fairly widely. We certainly have not been able to substantiate any of those claims in the work we have been doing since 1930. However, time will prove whether they are right or wrong.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) W.J. McConnell, M.D.
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