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Dr. Graham Edgar,
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Dear Edgar:

I think your conclusions as to the origin of symptoms described by workmen making tests for the French Air Ministry are entirely proper. These men must have been made extremely nervous by information, or misinformation which they have received. I would judge from this that the men have no idea whatever of the magnitude of the hazards to which they are exposed in their work with Ethyl Gasoline, and I would consider it advisable that they be informed as to the experience of other people to such an extent as to allay their fears. It seems reasonable that army technique has been applied in ordering these men to this type of work without any attempt being made on the part of their superior officers to acquaint them with the conditions. In no other way can I account for such a fright as to produce these rather extreme vasomotor indications of nervous reaction. I think it might be possible for Mr. Lienhard to straighten the matter out through conversation with the men, either directly or through their superiors.

I was sorry indeed not to have had the opportunity of seeing more of you when I was in the east. I Sincerely hope that the little one has come along all right, and that you and Mrs. Edgar have no further worry on her account. Please give my very kindest regards to Mrs. Edgar.

With kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

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