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Mr. Philip Drinker
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Dear Mr. Drinker:

Thanks very much for your letter of August 8th with your suggestion concerning the possible ways by which certain types of articles could be published.

I think we shall follow your first suggestion to send certain selected papers to you for printing at our expense in the Journal of Industrial Hygiene. However in the case of the two which I sent you recently, we shall hold them up until we are able to include a brief paragraph on the microscopic pathology. When this is done, we shall send them on to you for your consideration without reference to our previous correspondence. If at that time you still feel that you would like to publish them at our expense, this can be done.

As to your reference to Fishbein and the Journal of the American Medical Association, I am glad to say that I am not on such terms with Fishbein as would justify my asking either for his advice or favors. His journal is a good one but it is only sound when it deals with the publication of clinical material. In our opinion it is not the proper place for the publication of work in experimental medicine partly because its editors, and particularly Fishbein, have not the critical judgment which is necessary for the selection of such articles, but largely because it is predominantly a source of reference for the practitioners of medicine.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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