

April 25, 1935

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Dear Mr. Bevan:

I have your several letters including the one of April 8th in which you enclosed a copy of a letter from Mr. Hawkins together with his suggested alterations in the two small booklets. I am quite in agreement that these booklets should be modified to correspond to the best use of the Italian language and from what I am able to determine with the assistance of my staff of translators, the revised version of these instructions is satisfactory. You will realize, of course, that our combined opinion on the subject is not worth a great deal but that we shall have to accept the modifications made as being entirely proper and to the point. I suggest, therefore, that you revamp these booklets completely when you have obtained all the necessary revisions. I shall send you shortly a notation as to any changes which might be required in the Spanish.

I am writing Mr. Thenault today to point out to him that the recent article on intoxication by tetraethyl lead which appeared in France under the name of Duvoir, M. and Coste, F. (our Dr. Coste) is not likely to benefit the situation which exists in France. Unfortunately there is one statement in the article which if taken seriously may add a certain amount of fuel to the fire. It is singularly unfortunate that this sentence appeared in the article. I quote from it as follows: "Diagnosis. Positive diagnosis of intoxication by tetraethyl lead depends upon determining in an individual handling this product or a tetraethylized gasoline, the presence of the fundamental syndrome; falling of the arterial tension, lowering of the temperature, slowing of the pulse and finally insomnia with agitation." Otherwise the article is fair and conservative in its treatment of the subject.

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I am having the article on "The Behavior of Lead in the Animal Organism. II Tetraethyl Lead" reprinted, and will send you some copies of it as soon as they are obtainable. As to the other article on tetraethyl lead, Dr. Machle and I are re-writing the article including a considerable amount of new material. It seems inadvisable, therefore, to have the original article reprinted at this time since the second article will be much more useful and comprehensive.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

RAK" is

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