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December 26, 1940

Mr. D.A. Kehr
The Lowe Brothers Company
424 East Third Street
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Mr. Kehr:

I have not sent you a report for Mr. [REDACTED] because he and I have discussed his curious but insignificant abnormalities very thoroughly, and I have written him a detailed explanation, which needs no further elaboration. I am sending you, for your files, a brief statement concerning this man.

In our report to you special reference was made to [REDACTED] For your information I am including a detailed report of our findings on him. I have written him a letter in which I have told him that our findings indicate that his general physical health is good, but have withheld from him the rest of the information indicated in our previous report to you and on this detailed outline of our findings. I think it will be unnecessary to tell him more at the present time. If you and Mr. Clark have further suggestions about him, or wish to discuss his situation with us at any time, we shall be glad to hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

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Wm. F. Ashe, M.D.

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 Age: 29

Occupation: Regular employe The Lowe Brothers
Company, Dayton, Ohio.
Mixer in the Lacquer Plant for
past 4 years.

General medical and occupational history reveals no evidence of illness, occupational or otherwise, at the present time. On one occasion a year ago he burned his right eye with solvents. Approximately two weeks before his examination by us he discovered while in the movies that his vision was poor.

Physical examination reveals the following:

1. Both pupils are irregular - neither reacts to light and only poorly to accommodation. Visual acuity is markedly diminished.
2. There is some inflammation of the nose and throat.
3. There is a small, slightly tender protrusion of the muscles of the back through the binding ligaments at the level of his last vertebra.
4. There is a soft, faint diastolic murmur in his heart which can be brought out only when its rate is accelerated. There is not evidence of active heart disease or heart failure.
5. The right knee jerk is present but the left is absent.

Laboratory examinations (urinalysis, blood count and analysis, and spinal fluid examinations, including tests for syphilis, were normal in every respect except for the following:

1. The urinary lead excretion was moderately elevated.
2. The blood lead level was slightly elevated.

Conclusions and Recommendations

We have studied this man carefully and can find no evidence of active heart disease nor of syphilis, either systemic or of the central nervous system. His eye symptoms have disappeared and his visual acuity has been corrected by getting glasses. The degree of abnormal lead content in his

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body is below dangerous levels. He needs no further medical treatment or examinations at the present time, and there is no reason why his employment should not be continued.

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Robert A. Kehoe, M.D.

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