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Dr. A. J. Lanza,
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Dear Mr. Lanza:

Followingour previous correspondence I received Gardner's material and as well as I could, during the extreme pressure of working on a large legislative program here, I examined it in relation to the expressed desire that some publication should be made of it, possibly even a monograph.

I came to the tentative conclusion that the more ambitious type of publication as a real monograph is questionable, but that the partially completed manuscript which Gardner left could properly be published as a final report upon the experimental program which so far as the immediate problem was concerned, had been completed.

Then I got involved in finishing up the year's effort and decided to delay my decision until I could review the question. Your letter came just as I was turning the matter over in mind again.

It appears to me that to use Gardner's material in a monograph in which the writer would have to set forth his own views and add material of his own would be neither fish nor flesh and might be foul, to use a bad paraphrase. Although Gardner's material would be used, the view point would not be his and the writer might not be able to accurately represent him, try as he might. Also the additional material necessary would not be Gardner's. In other words, to collaborate with anyone, posthumously, without that one having even contemplated it, perhaps would not be proper.

On the other hand to submit his manuscript for publication practically as he has it written, with an explanation, would be to properly represent him. He undoubtedly meant to add to the manuscript, but it is worthy as it stands.

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My present idea is that it should be sent to the same publication as Gardner's first report on this study and entitled as a final report.

Please discuss this with the people in Saranac and let me know what you think and if any decision is reached.

Sincerely yours,

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