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Dr. Alfred Friedlander
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Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Dr. Friedlander:

I am sending to you herewith
a few paragraphs on the work of the laboratory during
the past academic year.

In line with my previous
discussion of this question with Dr. Fischer and with
you, and also in accord with your correspondence with
the President, I take the liberty of suggesting that
you head these paragraphs in any way you wish and that
you make such modification of them for your own purposes
as you desire, and that you have them incorporated in some
suitable space in the body of your own report. This will
have the effect of removing the Kettering Laboratory of
Applied Physiology under a separate heading of its own
from the President's report, and will place it where it
properly belongs among the matters related to the College
of Medicine. I should like to point out to you that I
consider Dr. Fischer's criticism of the former method of
presenting this report to be quite justified, and I feel
certain he will feel quite critical of me if I do not make
such effort as I can to have this report put in its proper
relationship.

Faithfully yours,

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The Kettering Laboratory of Applied Physiology

To the Dean of the Medical College

Sir: -

The general problems which have been under study in the Kettering Laboratory over a period of years have been continued during the year 1935-36. In line with former studies on the normal lead intake of the American population, a number of food substances have been followed through production and distribution to determine their natural lead content and the point of occurrence of lead contamination. The acquisition of information in this field is necessarily slow, and publication of results is not planned for months or perhaps years.

In order to expedite the studies on lead absorption and lead poisoning, the analytical facilities of the laboratory have been enlarged and modified. Specially designed and dust-proof laboratories have been completed and are now in use.

The distribution of fluorine in food materials and in the excreta of normal persons has been under study, an article on "Normal Urinary Fluorine Excretion" and the "Problem of Mottled Enamel" having been published in Dental Cosmos.

Other work under way on various toxicological problems is in an incomplete state and can most fittingly be referred to in subsequent reports.

Respectfully submitted

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Laboratory of Applied
Physiology