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February 10, 1942

Mr. Manfred Borditch, Director
Division of Occupational Hygiene
23 Joy Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Manfred

I have your letter of the 13th. I think it is possible that this man may have asbestosis. As you know, we find our cases of asbestosis in those who fabricate asbestos and not in those who mine it. We have found evidence of it in men who trim asbestos pipe moldings, shingles, and other material of this nature, with a power saw.

Of course, as you know, the fact that a man may be a competent roentgenologist is not worth a burrah in diagnosing this type of film unless he has some experience. The "competent roentgenologist", particularly if he is a TB expert, will almost invariably read a lot of pathology in the film of an average healthy chest. Pardon the shade of Dr. Haves.

I would suggest to them, if there is any doubt in the matter, that they send the film to Homer Sampson for verification.

Best regards.

Sincerely yours

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A. J. Lanza, M.D.
Assistant Medical Director

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