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December 11, 1959

Frank Princi, M.D., Chairman
IMA Committee on Clinical Toxicology
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Dear Frank:

One of our members in Honolulu needs some assistance in connection with a lead problem. We quote below from his letter of December 8th:-

"In connection with the can manufacturing plant of the Hawaiian Pineapple Company of Honolulu I have several questions regarding the hazard of lead intoxication, its early detection and the best tests for early detection.

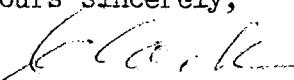
"1. What level of lead per volume of air is considered dangerous?

"2. Would periodic physical exams every six months plus examination of red blood cells for stippling and blood lead levels be enough to catch impending lead intoxication? We intend to make these compulsory for men working in potentially dangerous areas and voluntary for those in areas with less dangerous lead exposure."

Will you please write him direct:-

Gilbert M. Halpern, M. D.
251 Alexander Young Building
Honolulu 13, Hawaii.

Yours sincerely,


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cc: Gilbert M. Halpern, M.D.