

My dear Dr. Drinker:

Your letter was here when I got back from Cleveland today and I find it very nice and interesting but a bit puzzling. After much deliberation I have decided that you are trying to be very tactful and diplomatic while you let me know clearly that I have been putting an interpretation on Mr. Fine's results which is not warranted. I did think that they had a distinct bearing on tuberculosis in printers but at the same time I knew perfectly well that I was not capable of judging and so I told him that the work must be submitted to you and Dr. Aub. Now, evidently, under your careful wording, it appears that I over-estimated what he had obtained. Of course I am disappointed, but I am glad he did the work anyway, for quite without regard to any particular applicability, it is in itself interesting and valuable. I suppose you have corrected his conclusions, in accordance with

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what you say in your letter.

As for his continuing, if it seems worth while could not Dr. Aub put him on the Lead Fund? I really want what is left of mine, which was originally given me for mercurial poisoning in industry, to put in on an investigation of the mercury and gold miners out west.

Please next time do not bother to be tactful. I am quite ready to bear up under the bluntest speech.

Very sincerely yours

Alfred H. Hille

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