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Air Hygiene Foundation

Dear Lew:

Many thanks for the kind words contained in yours of December 14th in reference to the Air Hygiene Foundation. Perhaps if I continue this dusty business for a sufficient length of time I shall qualify for some such position as the Worshipful Master of the Order of White Wings.

Seriously, however, I do feel that this Organization deserves the support of those concerns which have a dust problem. At a time when the whole subject of dust diseases presents so many controversial aspects, it seems to me that we will all be well advised to assist an Organization of this type. It may, of course, be difficult to appraise in dollars and cents exactly what return there will be received on an investment of this sort but the creation of experts on this subject, who understand and sympathize with Industry's viewpoint, impresses me as being a good form of insurance against wild-eyed legislation and the sensationalism with which the subject is inclined to be treated in the papers and even in the Halls of Congress. We who feel our problems are solved in Illinois should bear in mind that statutes can be, and often are, amended or repealed.

I can see no immediate prospect of my getting to Chicago - certainly none this year - and, accordingly, I am going to take this opportunity of wishing you every sort of happiness during the holiday season and more of the same plus prosperity during the next year.

Sincerely yours,

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