

June 6, 1947

John F. Mahoney, Medical Director
Director, V. D. Research Laboratory
Staten Island 4, New York

Dear Dr. Mahoney:

Enclosed is a requisition blank for many small items of equipment, particularly drugs. We are in the position of having to give medical care to the patients on whom we are doing experimental work so that we must have here a fairly complete supply of medicines.

You will remember that when you were here we discussed the printing of the Manual for the Isolation and Identification of the Gonococcus which we have translated into Spanish. At that time it was suggested that Mr. Morrison might be able to multilith the manual. We can type the stencils here but if the stencil paper and correction materials are sent.

As you will see by the monthly report we are going to bleed the children at San Jose next weeks. As soon as possible we shall send you the complete report with the comparison of the results in the children on whom we shall have had two examinations at an interval of about five months. We plan to go over the group again at regular intervals in order to procure a complete study. In drawing blood from these children it is to our advantage to give them some medicine, for that reason we are planning to give them aralen to treat the group found infected with malaria and at the same time we shall arrange for all of the children to receive a weekly prophylactic doses. We then plan to draw bloods from the children once a month. We have sufficient medicine for about two months so that we should like to ask you to order the aralen indicated from Dr. Van Slyke who can send through the APO.

According to the information from Mr. Portnoy you are having trouble in securing adequate complement. Dr. Padilla here would like much to start a colony of guinea pigs from which we could procure serum. I should therefore like to ask you to send us two male and two females.

One of the rabbits which Dr. Arnold sent last died this morning. This means that we shall need another one or preferably two whenever Dr. Arnold has any more infected rabbits which he can send.

Respectfully forwarded

Sincerely,

Joseph S. Spoto
Chief, Caribbean Sector

John C. Gutler
S.A. Surgeon, USPHS