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June 23, 1954

Professor Norbert Wiener
South Tamworth, New Hampshire

Dear Professor Wiener:

Dr. Farnsworth is very sorry to be so long in getting this prescription to you, and he hopes that you were able to get it from someone else in our Medical Department before you left for the summer in New Hampshire.

Most sincerely,

(Mrs) Mary Claire Adams
Secretary

THE NEW YORK ACADEMY OF MEDICINE

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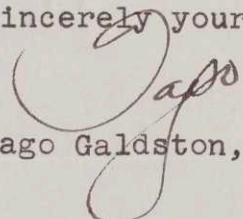
June 23, 1954


Dear Dr. Wiener:

You will shortly receive from the publisher a copy of "Medicine and Science" containing your excellent contribution to our Laity Lectures Series 1950/51.

May I take this occasion to express to you our very deep gratitude for your good help.

Sincerely yours,


Iago Galdston, M.D.

Norbert Wiener, Ph.D.
Professor of Mathematics
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

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34 BEACON STREET, BOSTON 6



June 23, 1954

Mr. Norbert Wiener
South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Dear Mr. Wiener:

Please accept your copy of THE FABULOUS
JOURNEY OF HIERONYMUS MEEKER for whatever use
you may think practicable. Thank you for
telling us you received it, and thank you for
your interest.

I hope you do get a chance to read it--
and I hope you will enjoy it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Milton L. Rusk". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Milton L. Rusk
Publicity Department

MLR:ag

HARVARD UNIVERSITY
INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

CONDUCTED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE
HARVARD SUMMER SCHOOL
OF ARTS AND SCIENCES AND OF EDUCATION

10 WELD HALL
CAMBRIDGE 38, MASSACHUSETTS

WILLIAM Y. ELLIOTT, *Director*

HENRY A. KISSINGER, *Executive Director*

June 23, 1954

Professor Norbert Wiener
Room 2 - 155
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Cambridge, Mass.

Dear Professor Wiener:

I am taking the liberty of writing to you to acquaint you with the International Seminar which has been conducted at the Harvard Summer School for the past three years and which will take place again this summer.

The Seminar originated in the belief that existing exchange programs failed to provide an opportunity to a group on the verge of reaching positions of leadership in their countries. We thought particularly of the generation which matured during the war and witnessed the despair and destruction of its aftermath. Too old for existing student exchange programs, too active to leave their countries for extended periods, these men and women have felt isolated and too often have sought refuge in a narrow nationalism or hopeless pessimism. It was our belief that a meeting of the most promising representatives of this group in an atmosphere of tolerance, created by a privately sponsored program, would go far to promote a better appreciation of common problems and of America's deeper values.

We have invited twenty Europeans and fifteen Asians for this year's session. Our participants will include a number of editors, legislators and government officials, as well as representatives from literary, academic and artistic circles. This will be in all cases their first visit to the United States. I am enclosing a list of our participants as well as a copy of the announcement which was distributed in foreign countries.

Since our Seminar participants will be in this country for only nine weeks, the problem of introducing them to as wide and representative a segment of American life as possible is, of course, our major one. We are impressed with the limitations of a purely academic approach and with the suspicions likely to be engendered by too abstract and too pat solutions. Accordingly, it is our hope that we may induce a number of distinguished representatives from various spheres of American life to address our visitors out of their own active experience. All

Professor Norbert Wiener

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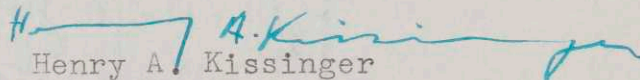
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the participants in the previous sessions of the Seminar agreed that this aspect of our program was perhaps the most fruitful for them.

We therefore wish to invite you to come to Harvard to talk to the members of the International Seminar on any topic you consider significant. We are aware of your many commitments and should you consent to come, we hope that you will designate any convenient Monday, Tuesday or Thursday afternoon between July 15th and August 19th. If it is at all possible, we should appreciate your giving us an alternate date.

I should like to say again how much your participation in this project would be appreciated by all of us.

Sincerely yours,


Henry A. Kissinger

HAK:ebp

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[ans 7/6/54]

June 23, 1954

South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Mr. Roger W. Babson
The Babson Organization
Wellesley Hills, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Babson:

I have been very much grieved this morning to hear of President Compton's death. It is a great loss to the school as a whole and to every individual of us. Very fortunately, the present organization of the school was made by President Compton in his own image, and will continue to keep his ideas and his ideals alive for many years.

I am a little bit astounded at the letterhead of your letter of June 18. The name INVENTION, INC. seems to me somewhat flamboyant, and the notation, "Inquiries Solicited Regarding Cybernetics and Automatic Factories" makes me wonder whom you have as an authority on these difficult subjects. This also presents your requests which you have made to me in the last few weeks in a new light, which I assure you would have made me much more careful in answering your questions. I am a scientist and not a promoter, nor will I participate in any promotion of undertakings involving cybernetics and automatic factories. In order to protect myself and my good name from those who inadvertantly or willfully hint that I am giving any support to such activities of promotion, I am prepared to undertake serious measures. The notation which you make on your letterhead does not, in fact, involve my name directly, and cybernetics was invented as a common noun rather than as a description of anything having a continued connection with myself. Nevertheless, your giving away of copies of the HUMAN USE OF HUMAN BEINGS and your other activities of this sort may be taken in conjunction with your letterhead to indicate that you wish people to believe that I am standing in some way behind your enterprises. This I am not doing,

Mr. Roger W. Babson

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June 23, 1954

and I shall expect you to take the proper measures to see that your correspondents are disabused of this impression.

Under the circumstances, it is entirely impossible for me to lecture now or at any later time at the Babson Institute or before any Babson organization. Moreover, your letterhead has made clear to me that your main purpose of the past weeks has been to give a certain color of plausibility to the possible use of my name. I can only say that if you have expected to buy me, you have expected to buy me very cheap. However, I am not on the market.

Very truly yours,

Norbert Wiener

NW:jc

[ans 7/12/54]

June 23, 1954

South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Mr. Richard Bolling
Congressman, 5th District
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Bolling:

I am very much interested in your mimeographed note of June 18. I am fully in agreement with you that nothing like the Selective Industrial Dispersion is of any great value in passive defense against atomic bomb attack. If at any time you want further opinions on the matter from me, I shall be very glad to give them to you.

Sincerely yours,

Norbert Wiener

NW:jc

Concerning reviews and letters on book EXTRAPOLATION,
INTERPOLATION AND SMOOTHING OF STATIONARY TIME SERIES
that Wiley and Sons cannot find.

June 23, 1954 South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Miss Barbara B. Cole
Department of Mathematics
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Cambridge 39, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Cole:

Can you look this matter up in my files?

Sincerely yours,

Norbert Wiener

NW:jc

June 23, 1954 South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Mr. J. S. Barnes, Vice President
John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
440 Fourth Avenue
New York 16, New York

Dear Mr. Barnes:

I fully approve of your policy in the Spangler matter and will always give my concordance in similar decisions made by Wiley.

Sincerely yours,

South Tamworth
New Hampshire

June 23, 1954

Mr. F. B. Fassett, Jr., Director
The Technology Press
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Cambridge 39, Massachusetts

Dear Fassett:

Thanks for your letter of June 18. Whenever possible I shall act according to policy acceptable to you in the matter of rights to Cybernetics or as to such other books as the Technology Press shall publish. I have been very busy in the work leading up to the treatise of cybernetics with Mr. Vallee, who has been up for a few days.

I was shocked by Compton's death, but I am serenely confident that his policies will continue to live in the hands of the president administration of M. I. T.

Sincerely yours,

Norbert Wiener

NW:je

June 23, 1954

South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Mr. Thomas F. McDonough, A. I. A.
25 Huntington Avenue
Boston 16, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. McDonough:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 21. I am very much tied up in work for the next few weeks, but as soon as it is completed, I shall immediately go on to the preparation of the talk for the American Society of Planning Officials. I shall send you my notes for the talk as soon as I have them ready.

Sincerely yours,

Norbert Wiener

NW:jc

[ans 6/28/54]

June 23, 1954

South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Mr. Armand Siegel
10 Kilburn Road
Belmont, Massachusetts

Dear Armand:

I am delighted to get your letter, because it confirms what I have been doing. I have been working over the problem of successive observation with Vallee and have been able to establish the result which I anticipated. Vallee is back in town, and you might talk it over with him. Meanwhile, as soon as I have some pressing literary work behind me, I shall write up our results and send them to you.

I shall be back in town for a week from about the tenth of July. If you should want to look me up here on the farm, either earlier or later than that, we are at your disposal.

I am sure everything is going to come out right.

Sincerely yours,

Norbert Wiener

NW:jc

June 23, 1954

South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Miss Ethel Weismann
Sales Department
John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
440 Fourth Avenue
New York 16, New York

Dear Miss Weismann:

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Norbert Wiener

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June 23, 1954

South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Maria Zwinz-Breyer
Elszlergasse 10
Vienna 13, Austria

Dear Madam:

I have received your letter concerning the declaration of the duties of man together with the enclosures and especially your two poems. I am in complete sympathy with your point of view. I am a little doubtful, however, of the specific use of mass appeals directed to the United Nations Organization. My own feeling is that the strength of the individual is lost in the mass so that I prefer to put forward my opinions through my own books and articles.

Besides my HUMAN USE OF HUMAN BEINGS I have just finished a book on the philosophy of invention which ought to appear within the year. This book will contain a great deal of specific protests against the present negative attitude towards ideals. I shall see that you get a copy as soon as it comes out and shall authorize you to include it in such protests as you are making.

Sincerely yours,

Norbert Wiener

NW:jc

[ans 7/25/59]

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
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COMMITTEE ON MATHEMATICAL BIOLOGY
5741 DREXEL AVENUE

June 24, 1954

Professor Norbert Wiener
South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Dear Professor Wiener:

This will acknowledge with thanks your letter of
June 18. Professor Rashevsky is out of town for the summer
months but your letter will be brought to his attention
as soon as he returns.

Sincerely yours,

Ann Barlow

Secretary to Professor Rashevsky

DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

CAMBRIDGE 39, MASSACHUSETTS

June 24, 1954

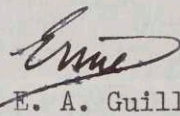
Professor Norbert Wiener
South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Dear Norbert:

I have been informed by Mr. Jackman in the Photographic Service that you and I are to pose together for a picture for some brochure that the Institute is getting out. Your secretary informs me that you will be back here the week of July 12-16th for a lecture course. Although I am spending most of my time with my family in Ogunquit, Maine, this summer, I shall be glad to come down for a day during the time of your lecture course when we can arrange with Mr. Jackman for this picture. You may expect a telephone call from me at that time.

Hope you are enjoying some peace and quiet where you are. I am trying to do the same.

Sincerely,


E. A. Guillemin

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P.S. My address is P. O. Box 4189, Ogunquit, Maine.

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STAVID ENGINEERING, INC.



312 PARK AVENUE
PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY
Plainfield 6-4806

June 24, 1954

Professor Norbert Wiener,
Center Sandwich,
New Hampshire.

Dear Professor Wiener:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation of June 23, 1954. Mr. Lawrence J. Fogel will attend your Communications Course at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology on July 12 and will discuss our program with you at that time. A review of Air Force and Navy Long Range Aircraft Instrumentation Programs is scheduled for the latter part of July, 1954. We will advise you of the confirmed date as soon as possible.

There are many pre-conceived notions as to what should constitute a long range research and development program. It will be the object of this meeting to determine what the true nature of such a program should be.

Of this we are sure - the problem involves man and his ability to control a unique machine. The fact that the machine controlled is also his personal conveyance, makes it quite difficult to isolate subjective and objective aspects of his control problem. For this reason we have engaged, on a sub-contract basis, the University of Illinois, Aviation Psychology Laboratory under the very able direction of Dr. A. C. Williams. The contribution toward the understanding of the behaviour characteristics of the machine is our portion as an engineering concern, the area to be investigated being the communication link including these two major aspects of the problem.

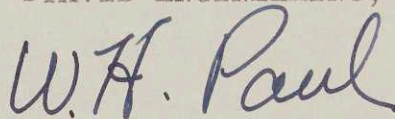
Until quite recently, there has always been ample room in the pilot's control environment to add another instrument or another control actuating mechanism. Recent developments in aircraft design have, however, by reducing the available space for the human controller made this practice impossible, and have forced an evaluation to determine a more efficient arrangement of information displays.

We feel that philosophically, at least, this is analogous to the problem encountered in information theory of making more efficient utilization of existing telecommunications channels. This line of reasoning, together with the chances of control, directed us to your "Cybernetics" and "Extrapolation, Interpolation and Smoothing of Stationary Time Series". From these, we recognized a particular deficiency in current instrumentation, the lack of the element of prediction, but there also remains all of the problems of establishing a set of criteria to permit the design of optimum displays which must differ from the theoretically most efficient displays by a factor of redundancy.

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Sincerely yours,

STAVID ENGINEERING, INC.



W. H. Paul
Project Leader

WHP:rh

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June 24, 1954

FIELD DIVISION
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Sincerely yours,

STAVID ENGINEERING, INC.

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WHP:rh

W. H. Paul
Project Leader

TUFTS COLLEGE CLASS OF 1909

FORTY-FIFTH REUNION

Attleboro, Mass.
June 25, 1954.

Dear Classmate:

The Forty-Fifth Reunion of our Tufts College Class of 1909 was realized as planned at the Hill on June 12th.

There were thirty in our group all told,--twenty classmates, seven wives and three husbands, as follows:

Frank Binns	X	Walton H. Nason
X Brig.Gen.Raymond W.Bliss and Mrs.Bliss	X	Emma Clough Paige Mary Hartley Richards and Mr. Richards
X Ruth G. Butters	X	Albert B. Root, Jr.
X Howard E. Cousins and Mrs.Cousins	X	Winthrop Sears and Mrs.Sears
X William A. Hall	X	Abby Wellman Stevens and Mr.Stevens
X Genevieve Haven	X	Dr.A.Warren Stearns and Mrs.Stearns
Louis B. King	X	Alice Rich Wakefield and Mr.Wakefield
X Leonard I. Lamb and Mrs.Lamb		Dr.Norbert Wiener and Mrs. Wiener
X Ned C. Loud		Gladys Graves Wales
X Ernest R.Moore and Mrs.Moore		

X - Indicates attendance at Class Dinner

The day was perfect and the Campus was especially beautiful with the bright sunshine interrupted every now and then by white, fleecy clouds and the temperature tempered by a cooling East wind.

After registering and being duly labeled with name and class, we talked of old times and new, children and grandchildren, joys and sorrows,- and it was good for us all.

At noon we hungrily attended the luncheon served on the lower Campus near Professor's Row, with small tables placed among the beautiful trees. The luncheon was delicious and again everyone enjoyed themselves. Following this we attended the Alumni meeting presided over by Joe Reynolds in his interesting manner. As a group we were called to our feet for due recognition, after '04 at their Fiftieth Golden Reunion had received due acclaim.

After the Alumni meeting the group broke up temporarily to attend various dedications of new buildings, enjoy teas, or visit old haunts such as East or West Hall, the ever beautiful

Chapel, Ballou Hall, Barnum Museum, etc. To us old timers it seemed almost unreal to see the numerous and beautiful new buildings that have been constructed since we trod the Hill. Even the "Rez" is no more, its watery caverns having been filled with rock and gravel, and on this location Carmichael Hall has been built. It is a beautiful building in every way.

At six o'clock twenty three of us gathered at Stratton Hall, a girl's dormitory, built since our day. There we were served a wonderful roast beef dinner with all the "fixings". Much time was spent here, enjoying not only the food but our own companionships. Stories were told, recollections recalled and the frequent laughter certainly helped our digestions.

After three hours it seemed wise to cease our visiting and bid each other cordial adieus, with the unanimous opinion that it had been mighty good to see each other, and that we most certainly would look forward to our Fiftieth and Golden Anniversary Reunion in June 1959. Not only did all of us hope to attend the 1959 gathering, but to make it even more perfect, the attendance of those not with us on our Forty-Fifth is desired.

If you happened to be elsewhere this year, do begin to plan now to be with us in June 1959! It will be a worthwhile event in your life.

Cordially,

Leonard J. Saul

For the Committee

P.S. Do you recognize from the enclosed photographs some of your classmates of forty-five or more years ago? It may help to check against the list of those present.

It was nice of you to attend our Reunion but we missed not having you and Mrs Wiener with us at our Class Dinner. Hope you have a pleasant and not too tiring a summer.
Best regards
Leonard



June 12, 1954

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IMPERIAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

(UNIVERSITY OF LONDON)

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Head of the Department: Professor H. LEVY

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26th June, 1954.

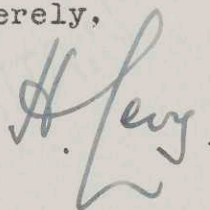
Dear Wiener,

This is to introduce Dr. Narbutt who is a Senior Lecturer in Electrical Engineering in Battersea Polytechnic, and was Professor in that subject in the Polish College here in London before it was dispersed to the Polytechnics. Prior to that he was a student with me and took his doctorate on a mathematical thesis.

He is a very agreeable person, and perhaps you may be able to advise him with regard to whom he might visit during the few weeks he will be in the States.

My own best wishes to you and yours.

Sincerely,



Professor Norbert Wiener,
Massachusetts Institute of Technology,
Cambridge,
Mass.,
U.S.A.

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
CAMBRIDGE 39, MASS.

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

June 28, 1954

Professor Norbert Wiener
South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Dear Professor Wiener:

As you can see by the enclosed copy of my letter, I have just sent off to Miss Weinmann the only copies of any reviews of Extrapolation, Interpolation and Smoothing of Stationary Time Series that are in the office files. I shall also call Mr. Fassett (I have not yet been able to reach him) and ask him if he knows anything more about it.

If there is anything else I can do for you here, let me know. It might be just as fast--or faster--if you wrote me at my home address, Glezen Lane, Wayland.

I hope Jason Epstein liked the book (I'm sure he did), and I hope you and Mrs. Wiener are enjoying your vacation.

Sincerely,

Barbara Cole

June 28, 1954

Miss Ethel Weinmann
Sales Department
John Wiley and Sons, Inc.
440 Fourth Avenue
New York 16, New York

Dear Miss Weinmann:

Professor Wiener has written asking me to send you the reviews of Extrapolation, Interpolation and Smoothing of Stationary Time Series which were in the office files.

I enclose them herewith, along with a copy of the letter written by Mr. Lovitt to Mr. Fassett. I note that this is dated December, 1951, not December, 1952, the date you mentioned in your letter, but these are the only reviews of that book which we have in the files.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. James Cole
Secretary to
Professor Wiener

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
CAMBRIDGE 39, MASS.

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

June 28, 1954

Professor Norbert Wiener
South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Dear Professor Wiener:

Since there was some question about the delivery of your telegram I will repeat it below:

Your topics for the first three lectures are Time Series and Causality, Brownian Motion and Spectra and non linear systems. Please wire the topic for the fourth lecture.

Y.W. Lee

I have called Mr. Dow and he says he can give you a single room with bath at Baker House for the week of your course. I asked him to reserve it beginning Friday, July 9 in case you want to come down on Friday. If you do not want to stay there will you please let me know so I can cancel it.

I have just returned from a week in Annapolis and will leave again this Wednesday for a week in Maine, returning to the office on Thursday, July 8.

I hope you and Mrs. Wiener are enjoying your stay in New Hampshire.

Very sincerely yours,

Ruth S. Goodwin

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[ana 6/30/54]

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DENNIS O'HARROW

AIR MAIL

June 28, 1954

Professor Norbert Wiener
South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Dear Professor Wiener:

I was very happy to receive your letter of June 18 saying that you could give the keynote speech at our National Planning Conference at Philadelphia on September 27.

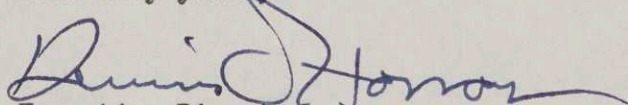
As I indicated in my telegram, I was particularly pleased at your selection of a subject. It is exactly the type of subject that I hoped you would pick.

I am not sure that I understand your statement, "I do not wish the responsibility of publishing this talk separately as I am using material from my new book on the philosophy of invention to appear with Doubleday in the Anchor Book Series." Do you want us to refrain from publishing the talk? Or do you want to speak from notes and be relieved of the job of getting the talk into a finished form? We will be happy to handle this any way that you wish.

Mr. Thomas McDonough forwarded your letter of June 23 to us, the letter in which you speak about sending the notes on your talk to him. Since the actual details of the National Planning Conference are being handled directly in our office, it will probably be better if the notes or any questions you might have were sent through to me here in Chicago.

Again, I want to thank you for agreeing to appear on our program. I am looking forward to meeting you in Philadelphia. If there is anything we can do to help you with the preparation of your talk, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Sincerely yours,


Executive Director

DOH:gs
cc: Mr. McDonough

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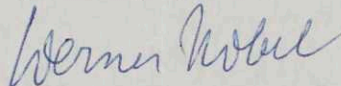
Dear Dr. Wiener:

I am in the process of developing an artificial prosthesis for the hip joint. I have a working model but I need some engineering advice and a place where some of the details can be developed and the prosthesis be tested for strain and stress and friction.

I spoke to Norman about it and I would appreciate it very much if you could put me in touch with somebody in M. I. T. who is capable of helping me and can use the laboratory facilities as needed.

I know that you always have been interested in medical progress and I therefore take the liberty of asking your advice. What I have in mind is unlike the prosthesis which we have been inserting, but a ball and socket joint to replace the hip joint. This would avoid some of the complications of the present methods which are dislocation of the prosthesis and pain. I realize that friction will be my main problem.

Very truly yours,



Werner Nobel, M.D.

WN:JR

June 30, 1954
Dear Mom + Dad,

I went up to Boston last weekend to see Dr Dofman about my theses.

I have now only a few minor corrections to do, + the final copies can then be made. You said you would pay for the typing, so I am having Phyllis send you the bill when she is done. The end is in sight.

I saw Susan + Bill, + they are leaving for Japan in a month. I said I would ask you to write them a letter of introduction to Ikehara. Vital details are: Prof (or Dr) William A Caudell (Harvard), social anthropologist, studying

relations between American Troups +
Japanese population. Their adrese is
50 Fresh Pond Parkway, Cambridge, Mass.
They would very much appreciate an
introduction to Shehara.

All is well here. Nothing startling
has occurred. I enjoy you being
up in (comparatively) cool New Hampshire.

Love,

Peggy

A
Candell, social anthropologist, studying
(Harvard)
Vital details are: Prof (col) William A

61 Garfield Street
Cambridge 38, Massachusetts

June 30, 1954

Dear Mr. Weiner,

I read your book
"Ex-Prodigy" some time ago and was
very much interested in it. As a
teacher of gifted children I was
interested professionally, and felt I
gained insight and perhaps a little
more wisdom in planning ^{the}
work for my pupils.

As a human being, and one
with particular problems in my
relationship with my mother, I was
stirred by your account of your
relationship with your father and

given fresh strength in my long-term effort to work through my own filial troubles to a stage of reasonable harmony.

I really think you did wonders yourself. Too many of us would have responded to ~~the~~ treatment you received by stalling in an immature state and remaining resentful, suspicious, and unable to achieve happy and stable relationships with anyone. And by writing, with an objectivity I can only call under ~~the~~ circumstances astonishing, an account of your life I have no doubt that you

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have given, and your book will
continue to give for years to come,
a lift to many a human being
struggling with similar problems,
just as you have to me.

I'm reading the other day the
Overstreet's book "The Menid
Alive" I came across a reference
to you which reminded me
strongly that I had intended
to write you when I finished
your book. Now, a year or so
later, I do so, and send you
my thanks, & my heart-felt

admiration for what you have
achieved in the field of living.

Very sincerely,

Louisa R. Alger

[over 9/3/54]

June 30, 1954

South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Mr. E. A. Guillemin
P. O. Box 4189
Ogunquit, Maine

Dear Mr. Guillemin:

I shall be available during the week of July 12-16
for the picture.

Sincerely yours,

Norbert Wiener

NW:je

June 30, 1954

South Tamworth
New Hampshire

Professor Y. W. Lee
Department of Mathematics
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Cambridge 39, Massachusetts

Dear Lee:

By now you have received my telegram. I would like the room to be reserved for me at Baker House on the tenth. ~~If you are leaving for a week in Maine, why couldn't you stop in with us either on your way up or on your way down.~~

Sincerely,

Wiener

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