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Dear Frank:

In connection with the "Safety in the Laboratory" section of the MACTLAC laboratory manual I am mentioning chemicals having carcinogenic properties. May I take advantage of your expert knowledge and good nature to ask you to give me a list of some of the more common chemicals which are known carcinogens? I seem to recollect beta naphthol, 3,4 benzpyrene etc., but I am quite certain I have seen references to a number of others which might be found in the ordinary chemical stockroom. Somebody, I believe it was Bill Neville, told me the other day that good old liquorice flavor was now suspect. I would not ask you to go to any great effort or to make a list that was anywhere nearly complete, but I expect you would have collected a list of the more common carcinogens which you could send me. I will certainly appreciate your help in this.

We recently saw Betty, our eldest daughter and her husband and family off to Fairbanks Alaska, where they will be for the next three years while he is stationed there as Captain in the air force. They are driving up with a new Jeep station wagon, 12 foot house trailer, boat and all, and expect to "do" Glacier National Park and Lake Louise etc., on the way. We may drive up next summer.

Our Bill got discouraged with college last December and decided to get his service out of the way while he was growing up a little more. He is now in army electronics maintenance school as a part of the Army Security Agency at Fort Monmouth, N.J. We leave Wednesday the 17th to go out and visit him as well as Martha's brothers in that vicinity. Our plans are to go up through Maine and return by way of the St Lawrence valley.

We hope that you and Mrs. Ray continue well and enjoying the summer. This will probably reach you at your summer home. There is no ruch about the request I have made above. Next fall is O.K.

Sincerely yours,  
W.C.Oelke