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Henry Blackburn, M.D. Laboratory of Physiological Hygiene Stadium Gate 27 Minneapolis, Minnesota Offer making copies before thanks

Dear Henry:

I do hope that you are sending a copy of the letter you sent to me regarding Brinkman's article in the NEW YORKER on "Jazz Legend - Tootie LeSleur" to the NEW YORKER, and it certainly should be published by them..

I appreciated reading the editorial on coronary disease. It was most interesting, but also most interesting was the succeeding editorial on Dr. Lettsom about whom I have recently purchased an old biography.

Sincerely,

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HBB: fmw

(dictated, but not read)

P.S. Did you ever get any answer that was satisfying from Dr. Hussey regarding the interspersal of advertisements in the body of JAMA?

Iexpect that your first reaction would be one of coolness when you think of the idea of suggesting a project to one of your epidemiological fellows on electroshock hazards in the home. These accidents are reported in some detail, and I believe a great many lives could be saved by proper education and some improvements in the building and manufacturing codes. I collect what I see in the newspapers and usually the data is one due to ignorance or neglect of the basic principles of operating the appliance.

If one wished to add variety to the study, one could look at the deaths due to lightening in the country. You may have noticed that in the past month there have been a baseball pitcher and a golfer killed by lightening. My request sounds a bit as though I was initiating a Ralph Nadar project. I would hope that the approach would be a bit more scientific than his.

Cony Margaret?