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April 13, 1961

Drs. Leo and Gertrude Szilard  
Hotel Dupont Plaza  
Dupont Circle & New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.  
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Drs. Szilard:

From the duration of your stay in Washington, I know that you are enjoying it. Cherry blossoms should be there by now but with the weather remaining so cool, you may have to wait until fall. Certainly the signs of spring on Long Island are still minimal.

Dr. Glicksman told me that he had spoken to you and that you were aware of the fact that the urine specimen of 4-4-61 was reported as Class I. He also told me that the approximately two week interval between tube changes has continued. I suspect that it will be easier for you to develop the habit of changing the catheter every two weeks than it would be to develop the habit of drinking sufficient fluid to obviate the necessity for such frequent changes. The only other suggestion I have is adopt the use of a larger catheter, for example a #26, #28 or even a #30 F. This is not as traumatic as it sounds since the abdominal sinus would soon adapt itself to accommodate a larger size and since the balloon volume could be retained at 5 cc. Daily irrigations even with as bland a solution as normal saline might also prolong the intervals between changing but this advantage would have to be weighed against disadvantages imposed by the nuisance value of the irrigation plus the remote but ever present hazzard of ascending infection.

Thank you very much for remembering me with a copy of "The Voice of the Dolphins". I enjoyed all of the studies very much and am led to conclude that your literary reputation will soon be as great as your scientific one.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours,



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February 20, 1962

Dr. Leo Szilard  
1155 East 57th Street  
Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Dr. Szilard:

The last pap urine (2/13/62) was again negative but numerous fungal spores were noted. It is conceivable that the superimposed fungal infection has developed. This should be investigated by appropriate cultures with the idea that confirmation would provide an indication for anti-fungal therapy.

In my enthusiasm at seeing you again I completely forgot to bring up the subject of an intravenous pyelogram or at least a plain film of the abdomen. The latter would in all probability reveal any possible calculus formation a not uncommon sequel to prolonged intubation.

I certainly enjoyed your brief visit.

Best regards.

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December 13, 1962

Dear Dr. Szilard,

Enclosed is your Christmas present. Am sure you like nothing better!

Met one of your many admirers - Dr Sam Arnold - at a prologee meeting in North Carolina a few weeks ago. He made me feel quite remiss in not actively supporting your political efforts but immediate temporal & financial commitments in other areas have made it quite impossible to do so.

Had a committee meeting on Monday night and found that half of the committee membership - Drs. Hotchkiss, Latimer, Marshall and me - were graduates of the Szilard School of Waldorf!

Hope you and Truly have a  
Merry Xmas and a healthy  
and productive new year

Best regards,

Walter