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Lawrence Kolb, M.D. 6645 - 32nd Street, N.W. Washington 15, D. C.

Dear Dr. Kolb:

The Assembly Interim Committee on Public Health, Subcommittee on Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, is presently studying the various methods of treatment for narcotic addiction and their effectiveness, and the care that is now available for addicts in California. Assemblyman Rex Cunningham, chairman of this subcommittee, has scheduled the first public hearing for February 13 and 14 in San Francisco.

Dr. Marshall Porter, Director of the Department of Mental Hygiene, directed our attention to your article, "Let's Stop This Narcotics Hysteria," in the July 28, 1956 issue of the Saturday Evening Post. He also suggested that I write you for an up-to-date statement concerning your feelings on the medical aspects of narcotics addiction, methods of treatment, and their effectiveness.

Any assistance you may be able to give will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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