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Dear Bo:

Please let me thank you for your very nice and informative letter of 2 June.

By this time you will perhaps have learned from your father of my relapse and return to the hospital. I have been told, however, by the Doctor that I could return home this coming Friday and will take much pleasure in doing so. Nobody knows why I had a relapse and there is still an awful lot to be learned about heart disease. This fact my Doctor admitted to me today. I will, however, be ever so careful and hope not to have a recurrence of a relapse.

In your letter you refer to a letter from Peru and say that you are inclosing a copy thereof. Unfortunately, your secretary failed to inclose it. I will be glad to have it whenever you can send it.

I can not quite make out whether you are waiting for me to send you some word as to shipping instructions for our CBI machine but if so, I suggest you wait no longer, but go ahead in accordance with whatever instructions you had or get from the Signal Purchasing Agent in Frankfurt.

I never heard of the firm "Lineal Cypher Co." and I almost feel like quoting what a Gilbert and Sullivan play contains:

"I am the master of the college  
 What I don't know ain't knowledge."

In other words any firm the name or identity of which is new to me and which is in the crypto manufacturing business can't be much. However, I will attempt to find out what I can. This sounds to me like a fly-by-night firm in England somewhere.

I am deeply appreciative of your sending me the two new heads for my razor because I was going to write to you and ask you specifically to buy them for me. I shall await their receipt with interest. In the meantime I owe you approximately \$15 for the one new razor you sent me, which I forwarded as a gift to a friend. Upon receipt of information telling me how much these two additional heads cost you, I will make out a check and send it to you.

With very best greetings, I am,

Sincerely,

WILLIAM F. FRIEDMAN