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Mr. Earl Ubell
Science Editor
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Dear Earl:

One of my local admirers has received a copy of your review of Psychotherapy Evaluation in the Sunday, October 4th edition of the Tribune. I was pleased to read the summary, for I believe you have captured the main points of Dr. Ward's essay. It is of equal interest, that your article was quoted to me earlier this week when I gave a talk to the Missouri Occupational Therapy Association on the subject of the activities of the Missouri Institute of Psychiatry. I was asked why we did not do an evaluation of psychotherapy. The questioner indicated that she had recently read a review in a New York newspaper and I was quick to suggest that it must have been written by yourself. With some surprise she agreed that it was. I also stated that we were not doing an evaluation of psychotherapy since psychotherapy was not an active treatment process for the severe mentally ill in the institutions of the Division of Mental Diseases of the State of Missouri.

I am glad to see that you are still busy in protecting the national welfare. May I take this opportunity again to suggest that on your next trip west you stop by and visit us in St. Louis for I think you will find that the work of this center is more consistent with your views of science than the institution from which I came.

My best regards.

Sincerely yours,

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