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E. J. Engberg, M. D., Superintendent, Minnesota School and Colony, Faribault, Minnesota.

Dear Dr. Engberg:

Replying to your letter of October 21 concerning the use of glutamic acid in the treatment of mental deficiency, we too have been having many requests from parents. We have tried it on a few and are still trying it on different types but so far feel that the results obtained are really only transitory, remaining while the child is taking the drug, and are not sufficiently impressive to warrant giving it regularly.

The price of glutamic acid has dropped recently and may drop still more which does not make the treatment as expensive as it was at the beginning.

My personal feeling about its use is that it simply raises the I. Q. a few points but is of no real practical value. Should we change our minds, after further trial, I will be very glad to let you knew.

Very sincerely yours,

HARRY C. STORRS, M. D. Senior Director.

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