

ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION  
INTERNATIONAL HEALTH BOARD

NO.

ADDRESS CORRESPONDENCE

SUBJECT

Dr. Victor G. Heiser,  
Director for the East,  
International Health Board,  
New York City.

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Dear Doctor Heiser:

It will probably be interesting for you to read excerpts from a few letters recently received by us.

These seem to indicate that influential people with widely varied interests are being awakened to the need of doing something active in the hookworm control work.

The mission hospital is about 600 miles from here, in the other end of the Madras Presidency. The coal mine is in the Independent Indian State of Hyderabad. The tea estate is in lower Malabar. The Town is in the Independent Indian State of Cochin which is very near us. The Council President, by the way, is an Indian. This means very much. When the Indians themselves are on the alert.)

Respectfully yours,

*George P. Paul*  
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Cannanore, June 19, 1929.

Enclosure: 1.



From a Medical Missionary:

American Baptist Telugu Mission.

"I have the honour to request that you tell us how our Mission Hospital can co-operate with Government in fighting ankylostomiasis. We are anxious to take measures for its suppression in our district but want our efforts along this line to coordinate with that taken by Government. \* \* \* \* \* Would you be prepared to say whether one of our staff could come and see you about this matter in the near future?"

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From a Medical Officer of a large coal mine:

"Will you be kind enough to send literature on the prevention and treatment of ankylostomiasis, as every cooly on our mining area is infected. Any plans for latrine construction will be highly appreciated by our Company".

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From a Rubber and Tea Estate Manager:

"I understand that you are to visit Estates in South India in connection with the hookworm scourge. \* \* \* \* \* If you could include this estate in your tour programme I shall be very pleased to put you up and give you all the help I can in your investigations. I feel sure a large percentage of my labour force are infected with the worm and your advice would be of utmost assistance and help to me".

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From the President of a Town Council:

"I have the honour to state that an article that appeared in the Planter's Chronicle on "Hookworm Disease" has been brought to my notice and I desire to take steps to control the disease in this Town. I request therefore that you will be so good as to favour me with your advice as to how and on what lines action can advantageously be taken in the matter".

Anti-Hookworm Campaign,  
Government of Madras.