

Lima, July 14, 1953

Dr. James H. Currens,  
226 Marlborough St.,  
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Dear Dr. Currens :

I am glad to acknowledge  
your letter of July 9.

Our work, during the last few years, have been almost all devoted to people living permanently at high altitudes or after a long residence. In these subjects we have not found Cheyne - Stokes breathing.

Just now we are going to study newcomers during the first few hours and days of exposure. However, I am aware that Cheyne - Stokes breathing is of common occurrence during the very early period of exposure. One is able to observe it in passengers on the train going to high altitudes and also during sleeps in the first few nights.

I am working quite hard in getting the monograph ready for publication. I hope it will be ready within a short time. Unfortunately, I will have to interrupt it for a few weeks on account of a trip I am planning to make to Europe in August.

It could be very pleasant to be able to visit Boston again. If I do it I will appreciate knowing more details concerning your very interesting observations.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Alberto Hurtado