

19th April, 1955.

My dear Father Peters,

It was a great pleasure to get your letter which I have taken the liberty of handing round to the department before answering it. I wonder who put the oil people on to the use of randomized experiments. A few years ago I should have felt sure it was Jack Youden, or, perhaps, Besse Day, but nowadays what with Davies big book on design of experiments in chemical engineering the ideas are to be picked up all over the place.

It is fine that you are able to get all the food your bugs want out of Lake Erie. It must be big enough not to be in danger of being poisoned by any inconsiderate municipal authority.

Sincerely yours,