## RECTION

Attention has been called to another error in the editorial note in The Journal, Vol. 22, 1954, No. 3, page 348, first paragraph, last line. It is stated there that Hanks had estimated the average number of leprosy bacilli in the lepromas to be 2.5 billions per milligram of the tissue. Actually that figure was for a cubic centimeter of tissue.

Furthermore, Dr. James A. Doull points out that the arithmetical average of 2,529 millions is not valid because in one of the specimens the bacilli were extraordinarily abundant. Eliminating that one, the average would be about 1.6 billions per cubic centimeter. Hanks regarded his figures as conservative, because of losses of bacilli from the slides during staining and the low counts of two of the specimens. His conclusion that "nodules may frequently contain more than a billion bacilli per cubic centimeter . . . ." is evidently conservative.

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