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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

I am a little at a loss to know what papers to send you because I am not quite sure all that is encompassed in your term "scientific responsibility."

I think my views are perhaps partially contained in a paper on "some thoughts regarding the current philosophy of the behavioral sciences." This paper, and much more material is contained in the book edited by Coulson and myself, Man and the Science of Man, in which Michael Polanyi and others were featured.

In another sense, I think that my feelings about scientific responsibility come through most clearly in my books on research in psychotherapy but I cannot point to specific pages very readily. Perhaps the Introduction to Psychotherapy and Personality Change, edited by Rogers and Dymond, University of Chicago Press, 1954, would communicate something of my stance. The large research study contained in The Therapeutic Relationship and its impact: A Study of Psychotherapy with Schizophrenics, edited by me and published by the University of Wisconsin Press in 1967, would also point up my point of view, especially the Introduction and the first chapter.

I guess I will also include a brief and emotional statement about the social responsibility of psychologists which I recently made.

If these papers and suggestions are not the answers you were looking for, try and let me know more clearly what it is that you do wish.

Sincerely,

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