

Excerpts from General Groves' letter to Archie J. Weith
read at the dinner:

I know of no one more worthy of being honored for his distinguished and outstanding service not only to the Chemical Industry but to the United States. He could have been well content to rest on his laurels gained in the synthetic rubber program, but fortunately he did not. Few men were more important in the production of the atomic bomb than he was. His courage to undertake the unknown and his ability to perform were outstanding.

With the greatest of regret at not being able to be present,

Leslie R. Groves