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To BRIG. GEN. FRED W. RANKIN
The SURGEON GENERAL'S OFFICE
1818 H Street
WASHINGTON, D.C.

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Dear Fred:

Once more, let me express my deep, lasting and heartfelt gratitude. You did so many things which I shall always remember — meeting me at 3:45 a.m. at the airport, writing me such a splendid letter (which I shall always treasure) about my decision to enter the Army, watching over me at the hospital — and exercising your vast common sense to prevent a needless operation, make possible the recovery of my health and restore me to active duty. What a list! But then — what a doctor AND what a friend!

My return to duty has been a sort of triumphal march. When I talked to Dick Chute he sounded as though he were hearing a ghost! Am feeling fine. When some food comes along that doesn't meet my specifications I pass it up and fill up on other things. Cereal and condensed milk are available in limitless quantities. I am tremendously hopeful that my pylorus will be worthy of your confidence.

Here's to our reunion when the war is over!

Ever faithfully and gratefully

H. P. Dodge Jr.

P.S. Gave your message to J. M. He was delighted.

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