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Brig-Gen. Fred W. Rankin,
Washington, D.C.,
Dear General Rankin:

Please accept my apology in not writing to you and extending my sincere congratulations both upon your well deserved promotion as well as for your work so well done as past president of the A.M.A., but it was only a few days ago that I was informed of your promotion, which however was no surprise to your legion of friends in this community.

It must be a feeling of deep and lasting satisfaction to you to know that you have so many friends who rejoice with you in both of these great works so ably performed in the past as well as in the present but most of all it seems to give greatest pleasure to those of us who were undergraduates and internes who were privileged to "sit at your feet" as it were and had the pleasure and rare opportunity of studying under you. May you enjoy many years of health and happiness (which to you will mean a very great deal of arduous labor) in which to carry on your great service to the armed forces and to mankind in particular. My best wishes to Mrs. Rankin and the children and may all the good things of life which you so richly deserve, be ever yours.

Yours truly,

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