

WAR DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE SURGEON GENERAL WASHINGTON

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Brigadier General F. W. Rankin, Room 1104, Maritime Building, Washington, D.C.

Dear General Rankin:

Sincere congratulations to you on your well deserved promotion to the grade of Brigadier General. Probably to one like yourself who has received so many well deserved honors this one may seem to be of little importance. It is, however, in my opinion a tribute to your professional standing and your personal accomplishments. In addition, our Government through the promotion of you, a leader of the medical profession and the president of the American Medical Association, has manifested its sincere appreciation of the splendid patriotic work of the physicians of this country.

I am gratified that our neighbor state Kentucky has been honored by the promotion of one of its distinguished citizens. I wish sincerely that Tennessee could claim you.

Sincerely,

Colonel, U. S. Army,

Retired.