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Dr. Fred W. Rankin Lexington, Kentucky

Dear Fred:

This is a little late, I know, in sending my congratulations on your election of President of the American Medical Society.

Little did I think, when we started out in 1909, that "one of our boys would make it", and I want you to know how proud I am that you have achieved all you have, and that there has been recognition for the long hours and hard work you have put in, in attaining the position you have arrived at.

I was laid up with an attack with my old prostate (what is left of it) so missed seeing you at the Meeting. I received a notice of your new book and am anxious to see it.

A. B. is with his daughter in El Paso, Texas, Mrs. J. G. Mott, 817 Kerbey Street. He has been there since November 3d, when he suffered the first coronary attack. About two weeks ago, he had the third one, and he is rather low in spirits. Letters from those, whom he cared for, have been a great satisfaction to him. I know that a note from you would give him a boost. I might say that he has always thought a lot of you and has been so interested in your career.

With kindest regards to all the family, I am

Rick As ever,