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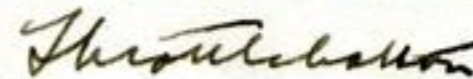
My dear Fred:

One of your former students, Lt. Riley of Lexington, reported for duty here at Schick the other day and brought with him the news that you were back in civilian life. The amenities of the service are such that we could not hand orchids to our superiors in the service but now it is appropriate for me to let you know how much I appreciate the many courtesies extended to me and what is much more important to state that the country and the medical profession realize what a grand job you did.

We are using your article which appeared in the Army Medical Bulletin as a text as a basis of training the surgical staff and do they eat it up.

With continued best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



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