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Dear Bob:

I received your well-wishes from Frank Worden for which I thank you.

Perhaps Frank told you that I am getting better and that several weeks of convalescence ought to see me able to return to work on a part-time basis. My deep concern is for my fellow Ramazzinians. There is no doubt that I was brewing the hepatitis at Sterling Forest. The "valedictory" which was circulated was more an earnest effort to alert the membership than was it an occasion to express myself in the usual Ramazzinian fashion. Most of the people who corresponded with me indicated that they took gamma globulin. This was my real objective in sending out the communication.

How fortunate that you replaced my lecture at Kettering with Dr. Noro, since in the light of my illness a last minute cancellation would have been mandatory. Once back to work I will try to attempt another date in the Spring, if you still want me and have an opening. There is some advantage to the Spring date apart from convalescence time. We have a whole flock of exciting epidemiologic data coming out of our automated record system here at The Times in relation to morbidity and mortality by Union groups. We even have an interesting oil mist study under way in our Pressroom using our Composing Room as a control which may shed a little more light on what may be an acceptable threshold limit in this currently uncharted field. All of this data would lend itself to presentation in Cincinnati along with a basic discussion on my many and varied problems in dealing with multiple Unions.

I spoke with Katharine Boucot about Claire Patterson's lead paper and your comments. She thoroughly agreed that if the paper

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was to be published, there should be a condensation as well as a deletion of all "dirty" personal references. She also agreed that it clearly invited an Editorial from someone with the broad experience you have had. She is not sure that she can obtain the paper for publication but if she does I have no doubt you will be hearing from her.

With warm regards.

Cordially,

Dave.

DHG/cm.

Dictated but not read by Dr. Goldstein.