

January 22, 1931

Dr. B. H. Hildreth,
363 S. Arlington St.,
Akron, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Hildreth:

Allow me to thank you for your courtesy to my associate, Dr. Machle, in making it possible for him to see your patient Mr. [REDACTED]. I felt that it would be very difficult for us to arrive at a conclusion in this case at the very best, and that we should know all that we can as to the progress of his case.

I am much pleased indeed that Mr. [REDACTED] is recovering, and it seems to me very likely on the basis of the speed of his recovery that his condition was what is clinically called peripheral neuritis of a simple type. It seems highly improbable to me that poliomyelitis could thus recover so rapidly. The somewhat spotty character of the anterior horn cells casts a very obvious doubt upon this point, and yet my own opinion is that even the simple type peripheral neuritis is frequently if not uniformly a primary involvement of the anterior horn cells. In any case, our examination of the blood may give us some information of interest, which I shall be pleased to report to you. Again thanking you for your courtesies, I am

Very truly yours,

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