

September 25, 1930

Editor, Jour. Amer. Med. Assn.,
535 North Dearborn Street,
Chicago, Ill.

Attention: RHS

Dear Sir:

I have received my manuscript which you returned with your letter of September 20. I am not surprised that the Journal was unable to make use of the article for I doubted the suitability of the material for your purposes. I write you therefore not concerning that matter, but rather because I am somewhat intrigued by your remark that "The conclusions drawn would seem to go somewhat beyond the evidence." The amount of available data is of such a sort that I could not but regard my conclusions as being decidedly conservative. It occurs to me therefore, if I did not make comparatively clear to you the validity of these conclusions there must be something wrong with my method of presentation. I either achieved too much brevity or too little clarity.

Recognizing that the magnitude of the work which you are required to do would scarcely permit of your making detailed criticisms either in your original letter or subsequently, I do not feel that I can ask for any further explanation of your statement. May I suggest therefore, that if and when you review my article on its appearance elsewhere that you avail yourself of that opportunity to make somewhat more specific criticism than you have offered in your letter.

Very truly yours,

RAK:EJ

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