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Dear Bob:

I recently learned from Neal Gault that you served a little time in the American Hospital of Paris a while back. Al Sullivan was probably there at the time of your "visit." I arrived on October 1st, 1949. It was a great adventure and there are many other untold (and untellable) stories. Needless to say, I am glad that your stay was temporary.

The enclosures may interest you. A general brochure representing the Division's graduate training and research opportunities, that we hope will remain topical for another few years, will be published in the next weeks. You will see in this that I am stepping down as Director, to stay on in the Mayo Chair. I much appreciate the good support of the Graduate School in the difficult period prior to and just after our taking charge of Epidemiology when the program was, to put it mildly, shrinking. Your general support and enthusiasm was necessary for our development of considerably more breadth and depth in this "new" program which is now firmly established.

I have also appreciated the level tone of your communications concerning the graduate assistant unionization issue. I wonder if a graduate faculty discussion of these issues wouldn't put us in a better position to cope with them. Presumably that might occur after the election about representation?

Cordially,

Henry Blackburn, MD
Professor and Director

Enclosure