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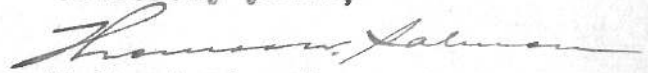
Dr. Lawrence Kolb,
U. S. Public Health Service Hospital,
Waukesha, Wisconsin.

Dear Dr. Kolb:-

I was very glad indeed to learn of your selection as Officer in Charge of the Hospital for Neuroses at Waukesha. Dr. Thom told me of his pleasant visit with you. I sincerely hope that we can be of assistance in the way that was suggested. I think that his practical experience in dealing with these cases would be very enlightening. It is difficult to get the men who served in the Army to continue in any work of the same nature. A curious revulsion of feeling toward everything which has to do with military matters seems to be general among medical men. However, we are combing our lists very carefully to find men whom we can recommend to you for your staff. It is tremendously important that those with special experience should be selected. Lieut. Col. Colin K. Russell, of Montreal, Canada, who is in complete charge of all hospitals for neuroses there is to give a paper at Atlantic City at the meeting of the American Neurological Association. It seemed to me so desirable that you should attend this meeting and see Dr. Russell and others who have worked on this problem in the A. E. F. that I have

taken the liberty to suggest to the Surgeon General your assignment. I would be very happy if you could attend a dinner which I would like to give for several who have been at work on the problem of the neuroses among soldiers.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Harrison J. Salmon".

Medical Director.