October 23, 1918

The Honorable
The Secretary of War
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

In acknowledging your letter of the 19th regarding doctors for the mining communities and especially in the region of Allentown, Pennsylvania, I wish to add to my thanks a renewal of the suggestion regarding fourth year medical students. The epidemic of Influenza is very serious yet. The coal production was lower last week than at any time since early June, and I feel that any medical assistance that you can give the mining districts will give direct result in production of coal.

Sincerely yours,