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Rear Admiral Joseph M. Wenger
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Dear Admiral:

Mrs. Friedman has asked me to write you to inform you of Mr. Friedman's illness and also tell you the wonderful news about their manuscript.

Mr. Friedman was stricken with a heart attack on 3 April and is presently in George Washington University Hospital where he will be until 1 May, then he will remain home for a month's rest before returning to the office. The Doctors have diagnosed his attack as a mild coronary occlusion. He is progressing very well and Mrs. Friedman reported that today, for the first time, he would be allowed to sit up for an hour in a chair and permit his legs to hang down.

The good news is that the Folger Shakespeare Library awarded them first prize for their manuscript, a newspaper clipping of this announcement is enclosed. The story made the front page of the Washington Post. The heart attack and the public news release have no connection as they were informed by the Library Director of the award approximately two weeks prior to the public announcement.

Another bit of good news is that Mr. Friedman was voted $100,000 by the House on 20 April to compensate him for loss of royalties on equipment he invented. The bill now goes to the Senate for action.

I hope that this letter finds both you and Mrs. Wenger enjoying the best of good health.

Sincerely,

KAY MONTIE
Secretary

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a/s

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