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Dear Donald:

I never was accused of setting any record for prompt answering of letters and I am not changing as I grow older. I hope that you, the wife and the baby are doing fine. I haven't heard whether there are any additions. You sent us a very bright young doctor to take my course in gastroscopy last March. In spite of some language difficulties, I felt that he picked up the instruction very well. Thanks for sending him to us. I understood that he did not have a fiberscope, but only the lens scope which had been at the hospital for some time. I have been using the fiberscope almost exclusively for the last three years. That is within the first month or two after the development of the fiberscope with intragastric camera. This is a good deal simpler to use and because of the added advantage of photography the whole operation is, in my opinion, more rewarding to the average operator, easier on the patient and a more advanced methodology. I therefore strongly urge you to get a fiberoptic instrument. The cost of the instrument is around \$3,000.00. This is the price that I paid for the instrument which Dr. Ovalle was instructed on during his visit here. I really have not used it very much within the last year because the hospitals where I work on private patients now have such an instrument. Cook County is getting one very soon. It occurred to me that if you do not wish to spend the \$3,000.00 I would let you have my instrument for about half price, including air express and insurance to your town. It is in excellent working order. Please do not consider this as any pressure on you. In fact, I suspect that with all the money you have in the copper mines down there that your company would just as soon spend \$3,000.00 for an instrument. At any rate I hope that Dr. Ovalle is having some experience with some kind of an instrument by now.

My wife, Em, joins me in sending you and your family our sincerest regards.

Yours very truly,

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