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Dr. Leonidas H. Berry, President

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Dear Doctor Berry:

The substance of your telephone call to Dr. Edgecombe, president of the Medico-Chirurgical Society, relative to your attendance and making a report on the work of the National Medical Association and the Ojike Medical Center project at the Society's Annual Founders Day Dinner-Lecture has been conveyed to the Program and Social Committees.

The President and Chairmen wish to extend to you a most cordial invitation to attend the Founders Dinner-Lecture on Wednesday evening, November 10, 1965, at the Washington Hilton Hotel, with the sincere hope that it will be possible for you to attend. However, as to program participation, the committees have decided that there should be no deviation from the long-standing pattern of the program; that is, no reports or business matters be presented or discussed at the Founders' affair. The black-tie affair is strictly social, at which wives and guests are in attendance.

On the occasion of the Founders Dinner-Lecture, as has been the custom over the years, following the reception and dinner, only the Guest Speaker delivers a message. Acknowledgement of the presence of certain other guests may be made by the presiding officer, but not for the purpose of making remarks. All statements and reports pertaining to the Society or the National Medical Association are presented and considered at the membership's business meeting. Following a membership meeting tonight, the next business meeting is scheduled for January 27.

The committee chairmen suggest that maybe arrangements could be made for you to have a brief conference with the Board of Governors before the dinner or immediately following the close of the Founders' affair, or that it may be possible for you to attend one of the Society's membership meetings.

The President acquiesces in the position being adhered to by the Program and Social Committees.

Sincerely yours,


Samuel C. Smith
Administrative Secretary

cc: Dr. Edgecombe
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