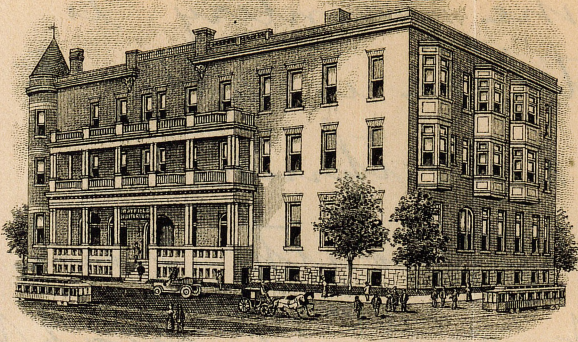


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CARRY PASSENGERS TO THE DOOR FOR FIVE CENTS

St. Louis, Mo. Nov. 3, 1908.

Dear Dr. Willingham:-

He left home the 15<sup>th</sup> of Oct. as you may know. The Drs. in Leon thought Mr. Davis' case urgent. On the trip he improved very rapidly and so we decided to run up to Moberly and attend The Association. There Mr. Davis saw Dr. Porter and many of his friends and school mates. Dr. P. gave him ~~some~~ kind words of encouragement. He came here the 27<sup>th</sup> and Mr. Davis was operated on the 29<sup>th</sup>. His case was found to be very serious, so much more so than any one had anticipated. His case was of such long standing that the bowel was badly affected. Since the operation he has done fine. The Drs. say he has broken all records and call him "the man who won't get sick." Now that he is practically out of

danger, I am planning to go back to Leon to carry on the work in the printery to the best of my ability until he is able to take charge again. The Drs. think he will be out of bed in one month from time of operation. In that case he ought to get home by the middle of Dec.

The letter you wrote in regard to the appropriations, was forwarded to Mr. D. here. He asks that you please send him a list for reference.

With best wishes and asking an interest in your prayers, I am,  
Very truly, Mary Davis.

St Louis Mo.

Nov. 25 - 08

Dr. R. J. Willingham,  
Richmond, Va.

Dear Bro:-

Your letter to Mrs. Davis came to hand in due time. I have not written because it is rather awkward writing here in bed, but I am soon to get out now and there is a matter I want to mention and would have written about long since had it not been for my sickness.

I do not feel that it would be best to move Neals to Toluca for the following reasons:

1. They are fairly content in Leon and are just getting where they can take hold and help.

2. I have struggled on through the past year doing two men's

work just because I said that there would soon be relief. If a new man should come now I would have to give up.

3. Then another reason is that Leon is the place for medical work - in Tulsa there is no opening.

4. Last but not least, Neals and Davises can and do work harmoniously in the field and it is not always so.

I know Dr. Chartain is not in favor of such a change and he has had a chance to see how things stand.

I think I will be up by next Sunday but am not sure. It will be 4 weeks tomorrow since the operation. Have been "flat on my back" ever since but will soon be a new man. Sincerely  
J. C. Davis

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St Louis, Mo.

Nov. 29-08

Dear Bro. Smith:-

Your reply to my letter to Dr. Willingham came this morning. I thank you for the kindly interest you express in my welfare. I am improving right along and hope to be up in another week. It has been almost 3 weeks now since I was operated on, but while it has

healed slowly, it has  
been surely. I am  
to go forth from  
here a well man -  
which I cant say  
I have been for  
some two years  
though I worked  
on. How I do praise  
the good Lord for  
his goodness to me.  
He it was that used  
all these means to  
save my life. As  
you may know I  
was on the "ragged"

edge", so to speak.

I feel the Lord has a still greater work for me to do in Mexico and I go back as soon as advisable with a happy heart and a more willing spirit to do the work the Lord seems to have called me to do.

Seldom do I speak of my wife in the pulpit or in my letters, but I am

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continued to call attention to her heroic self-sacrifice in this instance. She gave up her own pleasure for the work. She has gone home and is helping carry forward the work while I get well. She got home Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>.

Since writing about Neal, I understand they are to stay with us in Leon of which I am truly glad. Sincerely  
J. E. Davis