

I have read
Christine - and will
appreciate the other
book you mention.

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My dear Mrs Wattland:

Your note written one year after
the occasion of our luncheon at the
University Club came yesterday.
It was the only mail I received
and consequently was twice wel-
come. All the kind and friendly
things you said sank in deeply
and I hope you are not overwork-
ing and are finding loads of
enjoyment in the home life.
The Chetone! is there such a
one with the major working
16 hours a day trying to help

wounded soldiers? Sometimes
in the middle of a serious operation
I often think to myself - did
you ever have a political?
operation. Cautle. Or I
turn to my chief operating
nurse a little girl of French
extraction, Miss Jacques -
and say to her in French
"Were you ever in Monte
Carlo?"

We have been hitting a hard
pace. Margaret & I got back
from leave just at the right
time - else we would have
been snow bound? in Paris
by the avalanche of Huns.
At any rate I jumped right
in and in spite of bad

hand tried to do my bit. The second day of effort we exactly doubled the number of operations; Major B had ever been able to pull off. I inaugurated a new method of handling things & it went. That's for your private ear only - I never boast. Don't repeat.

The major has returned in the last 2 days and has again assumed charge of the surgical division so that I have less responsibilities which may be just as well. It's bad for the blood pressure. After 7 days honeymoon I scarcely even saw Margaret for days to speak to. Is it a hard war?

We are close enough to the gongs on, thank you. There is no word of my transfer yet. The kind major (in reply to inquiries made of him ^{whilst away}) assured me that he told certain parties that I was one of his best men. I'm all swollen up with pride and hope you share it with me. You were right in your diagnosis of others.

Enclosed is a nice letter I received - so I am off for S. Dakota. Told Margaret I got married too soon. She sends her love and ^{we carried chest tea spoon} _{just that tea spoon in our dish - K.S.}