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Dear 'Doc':

I'm ashamed of myself, 'Doc'. I fully intended to write you as soon as I returned to Los Angeles and recount the details of that accident I mentioned to you. But I had a lot of work to attend to as soon as I arrived here getting ready to administer the final tests for my subjects.

I had to make up my tests and then score them after giving them. Not having had much experience along that line, I was as nervous as a cat on a tin roof in a high wind. I was so darn afraid I would not do things just right. But it finally turned out all right and I recorded my grades and everyone was satisfied--  
I hope!

I am putting the facts about that accident on separate sheets of paper. It may seem sort of tautological in places, 'Doc', but please overlook that. I only hope it will prove of some small use to you. I hope that sometime I can do something for you that will really amount to something, because I can hardly ever approach repaying you for the wonderful inspirations and opportunities I received from you. I'm considerably past the hero-worship stage, 'Doc', so you know I mean it when I say that you are my 'ideal'.

Please accept my apology for not adhering to my promise to write you sooner.

Sincerely,

  
Gene Billups.