Regarding the first officers' detail. W.O.'s letter sent in the

Embassy bag by Mr. Page.

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(Handwriting)

13, Norham Gardens, Oxford.
Jan 30th/16

Dear Gorgas

Mrs Whitelaw Reid wishes to pay the expenses of 2 or 3 men from the army - the same from the Navy if possible - to come over & make a careful study of the British medical service methods during the war. Keogh is favorable but says it must be asked for by the U.S. Gvt. She & He (K) are most anxious that you should come. K. says that every facility will be given to see everything. Do you think, 1) that it would be useful & 2) that the plan is feasible? If official the Gvt. would have to pay expenses but Mrs W. R. is anxious to do this Privately I should say that the opportunity should not be missed. I am writing to the President & have asked him to confer with you & Wood. I was much interested in your address in the pr. the other day. That land question is vital. Send me a reprint if you have it. With love to you all

Yours ever,

Wm Osler

P.S. Keep Mrs W.R's name quiet. I dare say she is not a persona grata to the President - at present