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Mr. Ray Noble
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Ottawa, Kansas

Dear Ray:

I received your special delivery letter this morning, in which you requested that I do all I could in securing a job for you in this Company.

I am sorry not to have answered your first letter, but I have been out of town and have not had the opportunity to do so.

Pralle and I had a long talk with Schmitt this morning and he called Mr. Adams with reference to you. It was very favorable for you to come with this Company, but as we have hired five new ball players and had to retire Browning about two weeks ago, because we had too many ball players, it made it impossible for them to consider hiring you this year.

I do wish that I could do something for you, but this year, especially at this time, it is more impossible to help you in securing the job. Pralle and I had hoped that we could get you down here because we have all had so much fun playing ball together.

We start our practice next Tuesday, and I think that we are going to have a good team this year. With the old men gone, we should have lots more hustles than the previous two years. We will have a fairly tall team this year with Pralle and I the seventh and eighth in size on our squad. I do not know what the Company's plans are for ball players next year but, as far as I know, they intend to use the same team.

I am very sorry that I cannot do more for you at this time, but I do hope that your job will be more favorable in the near future.

I am looking forward to seeing you in the near future. With best regards, I am

Your friend,

Ray Ebling

cc: Dr. F. C. Allen
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