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Mr. F. W. Lang
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State of Georgia
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Lang,

Thank you for your letter of the 9th instant enclosing check. I am sorry that I didn't get your letter a little bit sooner. I called Gene Tunney at St. Louis, Mo. three days before your letter arrived. I know Mr. Tunney pretty well and have had quite a bit of correspondence with him. The purpose in calling Mr. Tunney was to call to his attention a very able young man who is Athletic Director at our high school who desired to apply to his group for appointment as an athletic director for the navy. The young man drove to St. Louis and was accepted. Gene Tunney came on to Kansas City and took some more of my boys and the boys said he spoke very kindly of me. But, I would not care to contact him so soon after this experience because he might think there was some connection between the two situations.

A program of promoting this normalizer would have a lot of problems and would require the time and the attention of a young, active fellow who could put most of his time into it. Of course the earnings of such a venture would be slow and someone would have to pay the salary and expenses of this young man. This, of course, is where the rub comes in. It takes money to make money.

Would you kindly write me and give me a background of your industry. Just how much have you invested in the dyes, the wood, and other materials? Personally, I do not know whether this is the time for the promotion of anything of this nature on account of the government's restriction on small industry. However, there will be people out of work due to defense priority and it seems to me if we can help out this general unemployment by giving employment and also improving the health of the nation it is up to us to do something.

I gather that you're feeling much better. You owe it to yourself to get out doors two days a week. In this way you will raise