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Dear Doc:

I have delayed writing to thank you for your fine letter until I had something definite to report. Have now definitely received an appointment as Lieutenant (J.G.) in the Naval Reserve. Don't know yet to what indoctrination school I will be sent.

I do want to say that I'm sure that your letter was a great help to me. The Navy man in Montana who helped me with my application said that your letter was the best out of over 500 similar ones he had seen--in that it completely covered every qualification that the Navy wanted to find out about.

When I took my application to Seattle, my first interview happened to be with a Navy officer who in the 1920's had taught school and coached in several small Kansas towns. He was not a K.U. graduate but was noticeably impressed when he saw your signature.

Thanks again, Doc, for your help.

Sincerely,

Thomas N. McFarland.