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Mr. C. E. McBride,
Sports Editor,
The Kansas City Star,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mac:

It was good to have a visit with you and Helen Saturday. Wish that we might have had a longer time to visit.

I am happy that you printed the communication from Dr. Garfield Weed. I have every reason to believe that what Dr. Weed said is very true, because this summer Jack Gardner promised Charlie Black if he would join the Navy for the Gardner Air Base that he could guarantee him that he would not be called away from Gardner for the duration. Also, he promised Black, who is married, that after a few months he could have it arranged so Black could have his wife move over and they could live together.

This latter promise might be true but not even the President of the United States could promise a boy that he would not be moved for the duration. I wrote Jack Gardner and told him to stay off of Black and leave him alone as he was enrolled here and that we perhaps would have gumption enough to see that he enlisted in a reserve here while he is getting his college education. Jack wrote a pretty pertinent reply, which I expected from him.

I did not want to cause an officer of the U. S. Navy any embarrassment, but if I had wanted to press the case I certainly could have caused him plenty of trouble. When an officer makes a promise to an enlisted man in any arm of the services such as it is alleged Jack has been making, he far oversteps his bounds. And I was glad to see you give publicity to a very embarrassing situation that should not obtain in this time of strife. I do not want my name mentioned because I have openly criticized so many things, but Jack Gardner certainly has it coming in this case because I have the proof that he is still following his old proselyting tactics that he followed in college.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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