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Mr. Kenneth Thompson,
533 Ann Avenue,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Tommy:

I received your letter along with Bill's when I returned Saturday night. I waited until I could have a talk with Gwinn Henry regarding that physician who examined you. Gwinn did not remember his name but he was a University of Missouri graduate. He had taken his work when Gwinn was coaching down there.

I talked to Gwinn about the possibility of your getting in some other place in the Marines and he said that he was definitely sure that you could not because the physician talked to Gwinn about your case and he said that if you went any place else you would have to make a statement why you came there and then it would be forthcoming that you had made application to the Kansas City branch and since you had been turned down there they would do likewise. It was Gwinn's opinion that it would be no use for you to try because the physician explained to Gwinn there were simple tests, and later this physician would be checked upon and he would be called on the carpet. He wanted to do anything he could in your behalf but it was against professional ethics for him to do so.

So I believe, Tommy, if I were you I would go along with Bill Brill in this new set up. Of course, I would be glad to do anything I could for you at any time. By the way, Tommy, here is a constructive suggestion. I would suggest that you go to see Dr. Don Carlos Peete. You know him, of course. His office is in the Argyle Building, and he lives on Cambridge Avenue in Kansas City, Kansas. That is a professional matter that you are discussing and why not put it up to him. If anybody could do anything for you, Dr. Peete would do it. I am not trying to pass the buck, but since Dr. Peete is in the same profession he might be able to help in this situation. Let me hear from you as to what you think is the better thing to do, and I will be guided by your desire.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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