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Mr. Ralph N. Dugan
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Dear Ralph:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 14th, and I purposely delayed answering same until I could get the "dope" on what the definite situation was at Stanberry.

My dad has lived up there for a long time and is quite influential in the community. Also, my very best friends are on the School Board and last year we had a job of coaching all lined up for Dan Rhule but he took the Herington, Kansas job instead.

The coach they had was from Tarkio, Missouri and not one hundred percent satisfactory so I immediately thought of getting a K. U. boy fixed up. However, it seems that there is one difficulty at this time; and that is, that one of my good friends, who is on the School Board, has a daughter engaged to a fellow who is graduating from Maryville Teachers College and who wants a job. In view of this, it looks like you came out second. However, this boy is over 21 and with no dependents, so it looks to me like he is practically a cinch to go in the army.

I realize you can't sit around and wait until this boy gets drafted as you undoubtedly will have an opportunity to get other jobs just as good as this one. However, in the event anything happens that this other boy cannot take the position later on, or that he sees he is going in the army soon after school starts, I will immediately get in touch with you and if you don't have something I am positive we can fix it up.