

October 6, 1938.

Mr. E. E. Stockebrand,  
Coach, Leonardville Rural High School,  
Leonardville, Kansas.

Dear Stockebrand:

In answer to your communication of the 4th instant regarding the difficulty with your boy's knee, I would suggest that you see some physician and have him use diathermy on that knee. I think you are well enough acquainted with the procedure of diathermy.

Two electrodes are placed on either side of the knee and the current is sent through the joint. The temperature on the inside of the knee is exactly the same as that produced by the electrodes. In other words, diathermy means "heating through", and you get the heat through the joint.

Doubtless the blood poison left the ligaments rather adhered. Since joints and ligaments get the poorest circulation of all the tissues of the body, you need diathermy to augment that circulation.

Write me and let me know if you have used diathermy. If you have not, I would suggest that you have some physician who is skilled in the use of the same. I am sure after treatment with the diathermy that your boy's knee will mend quite perceptibly.

With all good wishes, I am

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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