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Mr. W. C. Simons
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Friend Simons:

I have your letter of August 15, written from Brainard, Minnesota where I assume you are vacationing, with respect to the desire of William Kanaga to enter West Point. I know the Kanagas are all fine people and I am sure this young man would make a splendid candidate at the Military Academy. I am sorry I do not have a vacancy there for which he could be considered at this time, but I shall be glad to put his name on my list and give him a chance at my next examination. I do not anticipate another appointment for another year or two, since I recently filled a vacancy for this year. They do not happen regularly year by year. I wish you would have this young man write me a letter giving the date of his birth as I need that information to file with his application.

You might also say to him that I four vacancies at the Naval Academy at this time and would be glad to give him a chance to participate in that examination if he is interested in that academy. Four principal ship appointments to make as one time gives the boys taking that examination an excellent chance to enter the academy. That examination will be held on October 3rd, but it will be necessary for me to know not later than September 1st as to whether he would care to participate in it.

I enclose a circular letter I mailed out to my candidates on August 7th. I also enclose a circular showing the subjects covered by my preliminary examination. If the boy is interested in Annapolis I would be glad to hear from him as to where he would care to appear for the examination.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Arthur Capper