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Dear Mr. Haygood:

I am complimented that you should ask me to help you in judging some applicants for aid from the Julius Rosenwald Fund. I am afraid, however, that there will not be time during my stay in Nashville for me to hear three pianists and to estimate their qualifications fairly. I shall be there only one day. I cannot stay longer, because I am in full rehearsal for an opera of mine which is to be produced on May 7. Consequently, much as I should enjoy the opportunity to be of help to you, I do not see any way possible for doing so.

Regretfully and very sincerely yours,

*Vivipil Thomson*

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