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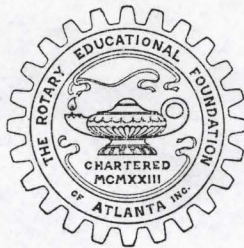
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Mr. Raymond Paty,
Julius Rosenwald Fund,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr. Paty:

Here is a letter from a young negro whom we have been interested in helping to complete his medical education and who is now an interne at the Kansas City, Mo., Public Hospital #2.

During two summers I was able to get him on at Grady Hospital, Atlanta, as a nurses aide and there he got a great deal of practical experience and found the nurses and internes exceedingly cooperative.

I am wondering if you would be in position to consider Dr. Mizell for a grant that would enable him to carry out his proposed program which you will see is concurred in by Dr. Oppenheimer to whom he is fairly well known.

As you doubtless know Atlanta, and this section, needs very much the services of a number of exceptional negro doctors. Mizell has passed the State Boards of Florida and Georgia and it has been his purpose to begin his practice either here or near Cartersville, Georgia.

We are missing you here but hope that you are having the opportunity to be of large service.

Sincerely yours,
Kendall Weisiger
Kendall Weisiger,
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Mr. Kendall Weisiger
Hurt Building
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Dear Mr. Weisiger:

I have received a letter from Von Mizell. The program he outlines is sound. Of course, it will depend upon his ability to get the residencies he is after. If he can do this he should come back a well prepared man, and I believe it would be a good thing to have a man of that type here. I believe he is worth taking a chance on.

Sincerely yours

Russell H. Oppenheimer

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Dear Mr. Weisiger:-

I am getting along fine in my work but having quite a bit of trouble keeping well out here. The weather here is very cold. I am not exposed to it because I have not been out for days yet I have been sick twice this winter. The hospital here is full of cases of influenza and LaGrippe as you probably know that there is an epidemic in the country.

I received the recent copies of the Young-Fellows Book. I am enjoying reading them and I find that it furnishes beautiful ideas for thought. It is so inspiring and encouraging to me. It is the very thing that I needed and I only wish all young men could have chance to read them. They would get new life and no doubt have the proper outlook on life.

I wrote to Dr. Oppenheimer at Grady to day and told him of my desire to get special training in Urology and the field of Gyn. I also outlined the possible course of study to get that training for his suggestion. Due the lack of the opportunities and institutions where Negroes can specialize, I find that it is only possible to become prepared as a first class Urologist by following some such period of study as I have outline in this letter to you. Two years in an institution like Grady would give the same or better training than I will have take Five years to get. I will try save enough money while I am residenting to pay for the training abroad. I understand

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that if one can pay for the training, the foreign institutions offers a fine opportunity to be well trained. I am exceedingly anxiously to be come all that you expect me to. I shall pay the money I borrowed off during the first year of my resident then try to save enough to continue my course the next two years.

Here is my present plan for your approval or disapproval.

1. Two years as resident in pathology in a recognized hospital.
2. Two year as resident in Urology & Gyn. " " "
3. Six months in Rotunda Hospital, Dublin Ireland. (Obstetrics)
4. Six months in the University of Vienna, Austria (Urology)

This will enable me to start practice in Atlanta in 1942 in My specialties. I will appreciate any suggestion as to best thing for me to do, as I need to be very conservative as far as money and time is concerned,

Hoping to hear from you soon and that you are enjoying the best of health and happiness.

I am,

Respectfully Yours

Von D. Mizell
 Von D. Mizell, M.D.
 General Hospital #2
 Kansas City, Mo.

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