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Pittsburgh, Pa. 15217  
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Most Rev. Bernard J. Flanagan  
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Dear Bishop Flanagan:

Thank you for your letter  
and genuine interest in my welfare.  
About three weeks ago, I wrote  
a second letter to Fr. John Jennings  
of the Personnel Board in Boston  
but have not yet had the courtesy  
of an answer. I am also very dis-  
appointed and discouraged with  
the news from Wilmington.

In regard to your suggestion  
that I go to one of the houses

of the Paraclete Fathers, I am  
not eager to go but it seems to  
be the only alternative. My feelings  
are influenced by what Fr. Hayden  
told me about the place in New  
Mexico and what I heard from  
other priests who have been there  
and transferred to Peton. I  
would prefer to stay at one of  
their houses in the East; I  
believe they have one in Vermont.

I would be very pleased and  
grateful, Bishop, if you would  
help me in the following way.  
I am interested in working in  
Massachusetts or in a diocese in Con-  
necticut or in Rhode Island as I  
truly feel that I would be  
happy around there but not in  
a diocese in the West.

Perhaps you have some  
influence with the Bishop of Norwich  
and could write a letter for me  
asking about working in his  
diocese at least on a trial basis.  
I feel this would be beneficial  
for me now as the stigma of  
being at Seton is bad enough  
and going to the Paraclete Fathers  
will make it more difficult.

Thank you again for your  
interest, Bishop. I will need some  
financial help to return to Medway  
to pack my baggage. As soon as  
you make the arrangements with  
the Paraclete Fathers, I will be  
happy to hear from you so that  
I can soon return to God's work.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

David A. Holley