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COLONEL LESTER B. WIKOFF  
SECRETARY-TREASURER  
MAJOR F. W. BROWN  
COMMANDANT

Dr. Phog Allen  
Kansas University  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

To follow up our phone conversation of yesterday regarding the dedicatory speech for the Ralph L. Conger Memorial award for Sportsmanship on Sunday, April 26 at 1:00 P. M. I'll try to give you the background you suggested.

Enclosed is a copy of the school paper with several items regarding Ralph's death marked. They will give you a faint idea of the high regard we all had for him.

To supplement this information let me add Ralph coached at Smith Center Kansas High for ten years and lost ten games. After that he was with you at Kansas University two years and came here in 1939. His regime here was considered successful and his influence on the boys under him was of the highest type.

The plaque is of Red Warsaw granite 42"X31" and weighs 900 lbs. It is to be put in the inside wall of the gymnasium.

Each year the cadet who best exemplifys sportsmanship in his everyday life will be awarded a medal and his name will be engraved on the bottom of the plaque. This award will be made by a committee of three, Major F. W. Brown, Commandant, Major Leon H. Ungles, Dean, and myself as Personnel Director.

The plaque has been purchased by subscriptions from cadets and friends of Ralph.

I trust this will give you a picture of the situation. Incidentally Mrs. Conger and children are living here with Mrs. MacKenzie and myself and she is teaching grade school in the Lexington school system.

I am happy you can arrange to be here because many times I have heard all about Phog Allen from Ralph and know the high regard he had for you.

If there is anything further I can tell you just drop me a line.

Sincerely yours,  
*K. A. MacKenzie*  
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Personnel Director

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