

April 7th, 41.

Dear Mrs. Spangberg;-

Dr. Allen just called and read your letter to me. Am very sorry you did not receive the letters addressed to you, and to your Son, Arthur. They have not been returned to me. Also, the day Arthur left, I wrote Judge Mason telling him all about everything, and enclosed a copy of statement of Arthur's account. Have never heard from him either.

I am also enclosing you a statement of his account, and he has never paid me one cent either on his room rent, or the cash I was kind enough to advance him

Dr Allen called me on Feb 29th, saying there was a young man Arthur Spangberg, of St. Joseph, Mo., sponsored by Judge Mason, also of St. Joseph, Mo., in his office, (Basket ball) and the Judge was very anxious to get him placed in a home where he would have to obey rules, and the Doctor had recommended my home. In a short time, the Judge rang my bell, and spoke to me about Arthur, and then called Arthur in. He also spoke in front of Arthur about wanting him to study and make good, and I was to let him know if he did not. He then left.

When he was gone, Arthur came to me about the room rent, and I told him it was payable in advance, and he said the Judge was to send him a check by Monday morning for everything.

Friday afternoon he came to us and asked us how much it would cost to wire home for money, as he had to get back to St. Joe for a Volley Ball game, Sat nite. Mr Wellhausen told him he thought it would be a dollar. Then he asked us if we would be willing to lend him \$1.50 he wanted to ride home with a Mr Lettz here. We said we would if he would be sure and return it Monday when he came home. I believe he returned home Sunday afternoon, but he did not have the money, said he was the Judge and he said it would be included in his check Monday. In the mean time he had to look up a place to eat on credit. He seemed not to have one penny. I called Dr Allen and told him the Boy seemed destitute, no money at all, and we had already lent him \$1.50 and he wanted another \$1.00 and he had to find credit for his meals, even. The Doctor said he really did not know the Boy, but surely a man like Judge Mason, would keep his word and look after the boy and send him money for his expenses, although he really did not understand it at all, that he should have no money at all. He said to lend him the additional dollar and he would write to Judge Mason about his desperate plight He did and he read me the Judge's reply in which he said he was sure the Board would act in favor of Mr Spangberg, and he would send the money immediately. So Doctor Allen and I thought everything would be alright. Then I had to lend him another dollar.

February 12th a telegram came for him and he was sure it was his money. It read "Father passed away, come home please, Mother" He said he had no money at all to go home. A Spanish teacher at the University happened to be visiting me at the time and said it was a matter of death the boy had to be helped. She said she would lend him the money, but she was all dressed in evening clothes for a dinner bridge and did not have the money with her, and Arthur had