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Dr. Forrest C. Allen, Director, Physical Education, University of Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

This is in answer to your letter concerning auditors.

In my classes, when a student asked to be admitted as an auditor it was openly discussed with him that he was to attend and take part as the other students, otherwise I did not care to have him cluttering up the organization. I did not realize that this was breaking a University regulation. The college office, too, required that these students pay the same fee as the regularly enrolled, credit students which led me to think that they expected them to participate.

In the light of the present emergency, with the crying need "physical fitness", coupled with the finding of the army examining board, the University should be doing everything possible to encourage vigorous physical activity. A walk across the campus between classes discloses sufficient evidence for the need here. Any student willing to use his time to such advantage, it seems to me, should be encouraged rather than discouraged from doing so.

This is my own view on the matter. However, I shall cooperate with whatever is decided.

Very sincerely.

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