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Dr. Forrest C. Allen University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

You will probably remember my speaking to you about my brother Bill at our Basketball Banquet. Bill was supposed to come to Lawrence the week-end of the Relays, but he was working and unable to get away. I was home last week-end, the first time since Easter, and I had quite a talk with Bill. He is still very, very eager to come to the University of Kansas.

Bill is working this summer at the Mill in Sterling, but we all know that he would be unable to come to K.U. unless he could get some kind of a job. I remember my struggle at K.U. -- working at the Jayhawk for my board and on N.Y.A. for spending money. It wasn't too pleasant. However, I have talked to the Wyandotte boys up there - and they really seem to like their arrangement.

Being my brother, I think Bill has possibilities. He is a good athlete, an "A" student, and a hard worker. He earned eleven athletic letters at Sterling and made the National Honorary Society. Of course, I realize that Sterling is a small town, but I feel that Bill has it in him. He wants to be a coach.

I would surely be very grateful if you would give him some kind of a job in your department. Of course, I realize that you have a lot of boys to take care of, but I remember your saying you could always use another good boy.

How is summer school going? I imagine that you have been enjoying the cool weather. I surely have. I have a job as Research Chemist in a Crystal Laboratory in Kansas City, Mo. We make crystals for the radios used in bombers, tanks, walkie-talkie outfits, etc. It is very interesting work and I enjoy it very much.

Bill is working seven days a week at the Mill, but I'm sure that he could get off some Sunday if he could come to Lawrence to see you then. I do hope that you can find a place for him.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Ashley Elbl

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