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Mrs. Boulah Engleman,  
1003 South 2nd St.,  
Arkansas City, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Engleman:

Thank you for your very kind letter of the 18th instant. I want you to know that we are especially fond of Howard, and think he is a wonderful boy. He is not only fine in athletics, but has the admiration of everybody on the campus.

The other night we played the varsity against the freshman in the last practice game, and after the game while refreshments were being served to the boys and a group of faculty members I asked the faculty which one of the boys seemed outstanding to them. They all picked Howard as the one boy in that group because he is so clean, fine-looking, has wonderful coordination, rhythm, and above all, sportsmanship. It is a great joy to have a boy like that.

My son, Bobby Allen, is very fond of Howard and they are close friends. They are both of the same temperament, and both fine basketball players. It will be a pleasure to work with them this coming season.

We are planning to give Howard some work this summer, because he is certainly worth it. I feel that we should thank Jay Plunley very much for selling you the right idea that Kansas is a place for fine, clean young men who can come and stay clean. So many people think the state university is a den of sin, and if a boy does come up clean that he is not apt to stay that way long.

On our basketball squad we have many other fine boys, such as Bobby Allen and Howard -- Kenneth Messner, Jim Arnold, John Kline, Bill McKinley and Bill Hogben. In fact, Mrs. Engleman, with one or two exceptions, we have a wonderful group of boys. The majority of them are of the finer type.

Please feel free to write me at any time. We want you to come up next year, because I know you will enjoy