

Mrs. Houts, I am writing you very frankly. Is Wilson or anyone able to pay, or would you care to have him committed to a state institution with only nominal expenses? The thing that I feel, since Wilson is a resident of Missouri, is that other states will refuse to take him unless he is or becomes a resident of that state.

Do you care for me to look into this Drs. Ralph and Ralph institution, find the cost and all details concerning the treatment and care, and advise you further concerning this situation? I will await your letter and as soon as I have the necessary information I will immediately act on this and other data that you give me. Will you also give me most of Wilson's background, what he has been doing or attempting to do, where he is living, and if he is living with his wife, and so forth? I want this merely to better help out in working on the problem. Has he been employed at all? And just how long has this total situation been going on?

When you see Wilson please tell him that he can count on me.

Is Rod in the service? You say he writes from Newfoundland, so we take it that he must be in the Navy or in the Marines. Please assure Rod that we will do everything that we can for Wilson. Please give Rod the Allen's sincerest regards. I know that he is a great source of comfort to you.

The Allens are in the midst of preparing for Jane's wedding which will take place in Lawrence on September 6. She is marrying a fine young man from Chicago. He prepped at Exeter and finished at Princeton. He is a designing engineer and Jane is a designing artist. Now isn't that a pair of designers? She met this young man when her steady who was not Elwood Mons asked Elwood to take her home from the depot one night. It kind of sounds like "Speak for yourself, John," doesn't it? Well, the Allens are very happy with him, and this morning Mrs. Allen said, "I really wanted Mrs. Houts, but I knew that she had her problems at home." Mrs. Allen said that she has been wanting to sit down and write you a long letter, but you know how Mrs. Allen prepares for anything so - she just goes in one hundred per cent for preparation and she hasn't gotten around to the point of writing you. She got up at 4 o'clock this morning to write some letters and other details because she had a dentist date which I took her to at 9:30. She can thank her healthy forebears for her strength. She seems never to wear out and goes at an unprecedented clip. But all good things come to an end and I am sure that she is realizing that she must slow up. I think this great stimulus is due to the wedding. She wants everything in perfect order for the wedding. She is very artistic and if there