

FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY
NATIONAL YOUTH ADMINISTRATION
FOR KANSAS

NEW ENGLAND BUILDING, TOPEKA, KANSAS

April 21, 1941

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

Dear Doc:

Since we have had our "Open House" and have settled down to our regular schedule, I would like very much for you to pay us a social call and talk to the boys on any subject you want to choose on April 29 at 5:30 as pre arranged.

To give you some idea for a topic I will try to explain our set up. The boys are chosen upon the results of Mechanical Aptitude tests from all over the State of Kansas. It is not a charitable thing at all. When they arrive they are assigned to one of several shop courses such as Sheet Metal, Machine Shop, Welding, Woodwork, Radio, Photography, Architectural Planning and Airport Management, Cooking and Office work.

At the present we have 145 boys in residence. Several were high school athletic stars and some have played on college teams. They are a high class bunch picked at random. Without a doubt we have the best resident project in the State of Kansas.

Most of the Youths are athletically inclined and some are rabid. I'm sure any stories you have to tell that you have accumulated in your long coaching career would be very interesting to them. The length of the speech does not matter. You can choose the length. If the date and time are not satisfactory would you inform me by return mail. If I do not hear from you I will expect you on that date.

Yours very truly,

J. Fred Harris
J. Fred Harris, Supervisor

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P.S. Drop me a card if you would like for me to drive you to Topeka.

Fred.