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WARNING REPORT

KANSAS HIGHWAY PATROL

Date 11-13-38

Name Ar. F. Allen Auto Lic. No. 6-3277

Address Lawrence, Ks

Owner of Car Ford

Make of Car Ford Model 1932 Motor No.

Place of Offense U.S. 24 Along Lake

Offense Driving too fast through town.

Remarks Warned.

Signed Lockhart Badge No.

Rank Patrolman District Topeka

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November 14, 1938.

Officer Hickle,
Kansas Highway Patrol,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Officer Hickle:

I am writing you to thank you for your very courteous treatment of the writer yesterday after my passing through Silver Lake.

As I explained to you, Mrs. Quigley, the wife of Mr. E. C. Quigley, the national league umpire, called me from her home in St. Marys asking that I make a professional call on her husband who was suffering with a very bad leg condition due to an injury that he suffered in the Baker-Washburn game some eight weeks ago. Mr. Quigley is bedfast and asked that I come to see him. With this in mind I presume I was driving perhaps a little too fast in town, although I did not at that moment realize it as I was intent on getting to St. Marys as quickly as possible.

You were very considerate and courteous, and it was a pleasure to have a conversation with you. I assure you that this incident will re-impress upon me the necessity of being more careful while passing through towns or incorporated villages.

I trust that I may have the pleasure of meeting you again and if at any time I can be of service to you please command me. I might add that in my opinion this Kansas Highway Patrol is contributing something very definitely to the safety and welfare as well as the pleasure of the operation of vehicles.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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November 28, 1938.

Dr. Marvin Hall,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Dr. Hall:

I called your good wife and had a visit with her yesterday. I should not have bothered her, but I was hoping that we could get a line and just say hello to you, but I think it is best that she protect you from all these various calls that come in.

I pay very little attention to silly rumors, but when individuals go out of their way to hook me up with things that I have no interest or contact with, then I like to tell my good friends the "real McCoy" on the situation.

I have heard a number of times that all "Phog" Allen is interested in is waiting until something breaks and then trying to get back into the directorship. I am writing to you so that if anybody ever says anything to you, you will know my sentiments, because I am on record both in a spoken and a written way.

I have said to a number of people that if the Athletic Association would double my previous salary as Athletic Director I would not consider the job for a moment, either as a Christmas gift or a funny Valentine present. I tried to do a good job while I was in the harness and thought I was doing the best I could, but some other people didn't think so. And now I am satiated and fed up on that kind of work. I am not interested any more in that type of administration. My entire time is taken up with physical education administration and coaching basketball on the side. Therefore, it gives me no thrill to even think of the sort of a job that I previously had held.

When a fellow is in a job he never knows what a nasty job he sometimes has. Catering to the lunatic fringe is bad enough, but when you get the chinch bug-leech and parasites in a game that they know so little about and profess to know so much more - then when you do get out of a situation like that you never want to get back in it. That is exactly my feeling now. I am not interested ever in a similar situation.

Now, I am putting myself on record, so you see there could be no retraction from this kind of a statement, and I want you to have such a statement as that when I tell you I am not interested in the football melee and hope some day to become again Director of Athletics. That is out.

So much for that. I am sending you a Big Six basketball schedule for all games. I thought you might want to tack it up in some convenient place and keep it throughout the Big Six season and watch the non-conference and conference contests. I find it is rather interesting to have this data at hand.

I am also sending you some stuff on our clinic game which will take place here prior to the Warrensburg game on Saturday, December 3. We are expecting a great crowd of high school coaches and players.

Our team looks pretty good. Outside of the regulars we have few guards, but a lot of forwards. It will be a pretty tough job this year developing the guards, but I am trying to develop Kline into a regular guard for next year. Masoner and Replogle may come out after they get a fest from football - about a week or ten days. Miller's knee is pretty bad and we are giving him a rest, hoping that before long he will be able to go. His knee is still sore and we are babying it plenty. However, I believe he will be able to go and I will put him in a guard position as he is a battler and knows the game from A to Z.

From time to time I am going to drop you a letter to keep you advised of our basketball situation. My desk is still covered up with a mass of detail. It is a tough job trying to find time enough to do some coaching. It is 3:30 now, time for practice, and I haven't changed my clothes, and some boys are waiting in the office to see me. But an administrator's job has always been a tough job.

I hope that before long you will really feel a lot better. We are certainly pulling for you.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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August 2, 1938.

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller,
Chanute, Kansas.

Dear Betty Jeanne:

I was glad to have your good letter of the 21st instant. I have neglected answering you sooner due to the fact that we have had a push on here that has kept us apparently very busy.

I am very happy to know that you have started working, and I know that you will save your share of the earnings so that you can matriculate on Mount Oread.

Betty Jeanne, just how good were your grades in Chanute High School? There is CSEP work here for people who make the near top third of their academics in high school. These CSEP jobs pay a maximum of $20 a month and drop down to $15. But that does not keep you from getting additional work on the outside, although of course they do not expect a person to take so much outside work that it will interfere with their school work. But I know that you are a level-headed young miss, and you have already expressed in your letter that your education must come first, so I am positive about that detail.

Betty Jeanne, I am wondering if you would be kind enough to make out a year's budget of expenditure and income for me. How much do you figure you will have to start to school with and how much do you figure that you will have to earn per month? I would like to have this information so that I can be more helpful to you in planning the campaign.

Now, speaking specifically to the point of your coming to K. U., I think it would be a positive benefit to have you here on Mount Oread. I am not blaming you for Ralph's poor showing, but Ralph went home so many week-ends last year that actually he attended classes but did not spend much time in studying. Ralph has an exceptionally bright mind, but he did not work at his studies. With you here on the campus Ralph's interests and yours would be the same. I am advising you as if you were my daughter or Ralph were my son. If my son kept company with a fine young lady who apparently has been his inspiration I would not want to improve upon that relationship. Ralph's varsity life and your varsity life would have many things in common, and through the years this would be a source of great mental heritage to you both. Your friends would be his friends, and vice versa.

So, whatever the high school coaches say about the girl friends, I am still decidedly strong for the right kind of a girl friend.

Some time when Mr. Falkenstien gets back from California I would like for you and Ralph to drive up to meet Mr. Falkenstien and apply for a job in his office. Carolyn Stockwell is a senior who graduates this summer. She has been in Mr. Falkenstien's office for three or four years. I was very fond of her intelligence and her efficiency when I was Director and she worked in the office. She is a splendid little bookkeeper and a fine stenographer. She combined intelligence with her leadership. This is confidential, but she is expecting to get married some time this winter. She may go to Kansas City to work or she may work for Mr. Falkenstien through the football season. At any rate, I believe that you would have a good chance of landing this job in the future if you could make the proper connections with Mr. Falkenstien.

In the next two weeks or such a matter when you get off why couldn't you have Ralph write to Mr. Falkenstien and both of you drive up for a conference, any Saturday or Sunday. Then when Miss Stockwell does leave, if you can sell your ability to Mr. Falkenstien, I am sure that you would have better than an even chance of getting the job.

Of course this does not keep me from trying other fields in the meantime. I know that a young lady with your intelligence and ability will be placed satisfactorily, and I pledge you my full cooperation in having you enjoy Mount Oread along with Ralph. Of course you know that I am very fond of Ralph and I hold very high hopes for his great future here at K. U. But a fellow, unless he is enthusiastic about his quest, never comes up to the high pinnacle of performance unless he puts everything into his every day existence and experiences.

Awaiting your reply and trusting that your realization of Mount Oread will exceed your expectations, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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August 6, 1938.

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller,
Chanute, Kansas.

Dear Betty Jeanne:

I think I have some rather interesting news for you. Do not count too strongly on everything working out, but it looks rather appealing to me.

Mr. Ole Nesmith was in the office this morning and I mentioned the fact that I was trying to obtain a job for you that would enable you to go through the University. Nesmith works in the office of Dean Lawson, of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. He said, "Say, they want a young lady over there who can take dictation."

Of course, they are expecting to hire a student, preferably a freshman, who will be here during the four years of her college work. Ole is to see Dean Lawson right away concerning you, and you may get a letter from Dean Lawson direct. I will keep you advised.

To Dean Lawson no mention was made of the fact that you kept company with Ralph. While, of course, this would not hurt you, I figure it would be best just for you to be considered on your own merits. I am hoping this terminates. I merely wanted to give you every bit of information that would stimulate your interest in the University.

When you see Ralph say "hello" to him from me.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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August 9, 1938.

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller,
Chanute, Kansas.

Dear Betty Jeanne:

Ole Nesmith was in the office this morning and told me he had spoken to Dean Lawson, of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, about you. Dean Lawson's assistant, Miss Veta Lear, is the one who usually makes the recommendations to him in regard to the office employees.

Miss Lear is going on her vacation tomorrow, August 10, and will return about the 6th of September. I think it would be a good idea for you to come to Lawrence to see Miss Lear very soon after she returns, say about the 8th or 9th of September. She may want to give you a try-out. By that time, of course, you will have had more experience in your present job, and will feel more confidence in your ability.

This would be a very nice place for you to work if you can get the job. You realize, of course, that there are lots of applications for part-time jobs. So I think it would be well if you could plan to interview Miss Lear soon after she returns from her vacation.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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August 12, 1938.

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller,
Chanute, Kansas.

Dear Betty Jeanne:

Thank you for your kind letter of August 10th. If your folks can send you about $35.00 a month, and if you have a part-time job to pay a part of your expenses I see no reason why you should not be able to make it at K. U.

Of course, the initial expense is somewhat great. Your matriculation fee (payable but once) is $10.00, the incidental fee, each semester, is $25.00. Also there is a health fee of $5.00 a semester, and the Activity fee of $6.00 the first semester, $2.75 the second semester. In addition, if you take laboratory courses, there will be a laboratory fee; and of course, your books.

If you do join a sorority it might be that you could get a secretarial or bookkeeping job in the sorority which would take care of part of your expenses.

I am leaving tomorrow morning for Louisville, Ky., for a few days, but will return in a week or so, and if you want to write me again I will be glad to hear from you.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

BETTY JEANNE HELLER

Wednesday
August 10

Dear Dr. Allen,

Your letters sound very encouraging, and I appreciate very much, all you have done for me. It would be wonderful if I could get the position in the Liberal Arts and Science Building. If I don't get to come to G.U., I was thinking about a girls' school in Virginia. I wrote them the other day, asking about a job, but as yet, I haven't received any word. I

thought that if it was impossible for me to get a job at K. U., I might get one at Virginia and go there, since it is a less expensive school. Therefore it makes it a little difficult for me to know exactly what to do, since I won't see Miss Lear until September.

How much is the tuition? I want to join a sorority, so my room and board would be ~~of~~ about fifty dollars a month. My folks can send me about thirty-five a month, so do you think I could make it?

I would like to know your opinion, because I imagine you know approximately how much it costs to go to W. U.

Thank you so much for your trouble.

Sincerely yours,

Betty Jeanne Heller

August 29, 1938.

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller,
Chanute, Kansas.

Dear Betty Jeanne:

Your very good letter of the 26th instant arrived, and I am truly sorry that you are not coming to K. U., or at least you indicate such a possibility.

I know you must have had a very fine trip in the East. Mrs. Allen and the girls visited in Washington, D. C., but Bobby and I drove down to Anchorage, Kentucky, which is a suburb of Louisville. Our daughter, Mary, and her three children and husband, live at Anchorage, and we had a fine time. Mrs. Allen and the girls were in New York for two or three weeks, swinging through Washington and taking in some good shows while they were in the East. They report a very fine time.

Now, back to the first consideration under discussion. I can understand your viewpoint, and perhaps you are wise in viewing it from that angle. Should you attend Huff Business College you will attend one of the best business colleges in the country. You know Mr. Harry J. Huff was our varsity track coach here for several years, and then he went to Missouri for five or six years, and then returned to the business college in Kansas City. His sister for years had conducted it previous to his associating with them.

Before coming to Kansas Mr. Huff was athletic director and coach of track at Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa. He is a splendid gentleman, and has a lovely family.

Should you decide to go to Washburn College in Topeka I might be in position to help you get a job there. I have several very close acquaintances and it would be a great pleasure to help you. My Cousin, Harry K. Allen, is one of the Justices of the Supreme Court in the State House, and his wife is a very lovely woman. I know that she has connections that would help you land the type of a job that you would like.

Won't you write me and let me know what you eventually decide to do? It will always be a pleasure for me to help you, whatever you decide. I thank you for your very frank letter, and I assure you that I will hold in extreme confidence the things that you have told me. Should I ever see you I will talk with you further about this.

I want you to know that I think you have had a large part in shaping the constructive life of Ralph. And I for one do not believe but what your influence has been one of positive good all the way through.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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August 26, 1938

Dear Dr. Allen,

I suppose you are back from your vacation and ready to start working again. Did you have a nice trip? This summer I went to Washington D.C., but didn't get quite to Kentucky. I think it's wonderful out there.

Even at this late date, I am still undecided about next year. However I'm almost certain that I won't come to K. U. Confidentially, the main

reason for my not coming is that Mr. and Mrs. Miller would rather I didn't go there. Ralph, too, has never been whole-heartedly in favor of it. I suppose, too, that I don't want the responsibility that it would put upon me — meaning, that if Ralph didn't ~~life~~ live up to expectations, I would be to blame. That is not merely an idea, because it has happened a lot in high school. However, I don't think Ralph will disappoint anyone this

year — I have all the confidence in the world in him.

If I can get a job at Washburn, I may go there. If not, I will go to Huff's Business College at Kansas City, and try to go to K. U. the following year.

I want you to know how deeply I appreciate everything you have done for me and hope to be able to repay you someday.

Thanking you again, I am

Sincerely yours,

Betty Jeanne Heller

September 2, 1938.

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller,
Chanute, Kansas.

Dear Betty Jeanne:

Congratulations on your decision to attend a liberal arts college rather than a business college. Please do not understand that I have anything against the business college, but the cultural side - while it is not the side by which we earn our bread and butter - years afterwards gives us gratification and satisfaction.

I was in Topeka day before yesterday and went to the State House to see my cousin, Justice Harry K. Allen. He was formerly dean of the Law School at Washburn. I found his office locked, and apparently he was on vacation as were all the justices, because I went across the hall to see Justice Hugo Wedell and Justice Walter Thiele, and all the justices offices were locked.

I do want to help you find a position, and I believe that I can do it. Mr. Will J. Miller, who was one of our Kansas football players several years past, is secretary of the Kansas Stockmen's Association and his office is in the State House. Of course, these leads may not help you at all, and then again they may. I know a great many people in Topeka. Mrs. Arlene Stancliff, who used to be my assistant secretary here in the Athletic Office, was working for Mr. Miller in the Insurance Building, but since Mr. Miller went with the Kansas Stockmen I am not sure where she is, but she is a wonderful secretary and I know that she would be able to help you if I am able to locate her. She is married and has one child. Her husband is an engineer in Topeka.

If you will let me know when you enroll at Washburn, and if you will stop by here on the way, I will be glad to discuss with you the Topeka situation and we will help you all we can. I am glad that you are contemplating the University of Kansas after Washburn. I know that you will never be sorry for it. If you should plan to come up sooner than the time school opens, or at any time that you are in Lawrence I will be happy to see you. And too, I think it would be a happy occasion to discuss the cooperative effort in behalf of Ralph. I am very fond of Ralph and he has wonderful possibilities, but last year he did not study much and as a consequence he suffered with poor grades.

I have hoped that it would be possible to have Ralph here at the University as one of our coaches some day, but unless he makes better grades than he does now, the deans will not approve such a move. You

can see why I am anxious to help him, not for the present alone, but for his future also. It will be a great pleasure to talk with you at any time that is convenient for you.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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August 30, 1938

Dear Dr. Allen,

Your letter came this morning, and I want you to know that it was one of the nicest letters I ever hope to receive.

Yesterday I went to Topeka, and have decided to go to Washburn next year. I talked with Mr. Kyle and the Dean, so I have almost everything settled. I am staying at the girl's dormitory, Benton Hall. If it would be possible for you to help me find a position that would be

wonderful. I am certain that if I had a job I could go on another year at Ash-burn. That's what I would like to do — go two years to Ashburn and finish at K. U. If I had a job, I could save so I would be able to do that. Even though I am certain I will like Ashburn, I will always want to go to K. U. There's something about it — it seems as if it is my alma mater already.

I would like to talk to you about Ralph. I am certain that I could

help him very much if I only knew how. Ralph's feelings are rather sensitive, so one has to be careful not to "rub him the wrong way."

Hoping to see you soon, I am

Sincerely yours,

Betty Jeanne Keller

September 19, 1938.

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller,
Kappa Alpha Theta,
Washburn College,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Betty Jeanne:

Congratulations on pledging Kappa Alpha Theta! I sincerely hope you will be very happy there. You have chosen a fine school and I know your year will be a profitable one.

Saturday morning I talked with Mr. Will J. Miller, of the Kansas Livestock Association, in Topeka, and doubtless by this time he has called you. He is leaving this week on a trip and when he gets back he will see if he has something for you.

With the opening of school you probably haven't had much time to look around. When you get a little more settled you will have time to see about the job, but at first you will want to bear down on your school work.

I haven't had a chance to call Justice Allen, but I intend to do that very soon. You can count on my helping you in every possible way.

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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September 15, 1938

Dear Dr. Allen,

I hope you will forgive me for not answering your letter, but I think you'll understand how busy I've been during such week. I pledged Kappa Alpha Theta here, and am so thrilled about it. When we came up to Topeka, we broke a spring on the car, so Mather wanted to come right up to the Nash Agency here to have it fixed. However, I may be able to come over sometime soon to

see you.

Have you found out anything about a job for me yet? I do hope I can get one. My classes are all in the morning, so I could work in the afternoons.

Until I hear from you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Betty Jeanne Keller

October 27, 1938.

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller,
Kappa Alpha Theta,
Washburn College,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Betty Jeanne:

I was glad to have your letter of October 20, but I was sorry that you had not been able to contact Mr. Miller. He promised me that he would get in touch with you upon his return.

I just put in a call for Mr. Miller and find that he will not return until tomorrow, Friday. I am leaving tonight for Omaha where I speak before the Nebraska State Teachers Association on two occasions, Friday morning and Friday afternoon; therefore, I will be unable to contact Mr. Miller until later.

However, I did call my cousin, Judge Harry K. Allen - or rather I talked to his wife this morning. Her name is Mrs. Florence Allen. I thought that since Justice Allen was sitting in court it would be better to talk to her. She said, "Why, I called Betty Jeanne and wanted to talk to her, but for some reason I failed to get her. I called her both at the dormitory and the Theta house". She promised me this morning that she would call you right away, and I know that she will do it without fail. She has been waiting to hear from you all this time.

Now, Betty Jeanne, this woman, Florence Allen, is a dandy, and I am sure that she will make you feel like she really wants to help you. You know, Justice Harry K. Allen was dean of the Washburn Law School, and Mrs. Allen was the chaperon for most all the parties at Washburn. She is a grand woman. And too, I might add that she is a sterling A No. 1 business woman. Before she was married to Justice Allen she had one of the very responsible executive positions in one of the large industries there in Topeka.

When you meet her it will not be necessary that she have recommendations from anybody as to her efficiency and personality. She has got everything. So I am feeling better, now that I have talked to Florence. She knows all the business

executives, both men and women, in Topeka and I believe we have got something that will help you more definitely than if we contacted Bill Miller.

When I wrote Justice Allen he took the letter home and read it to Florence, so you see she knows all about the situation. And this morning I told her how interested I was in your getting a job because we promised that we would help you, and we want you to have all that we are endeavoring to get for you.

I saw your picture along with other Thetas in a group photograph some two or three weeks ago. All the girls looked very personable and pretty.

I am glad that you like your work and that you are studying hard.

I saw Ralph this morning. He was limping badly. I am afraid there won't be a chance for him to get in the game against Kansas State. He certainly has had more than his share of tough luck both from injuries and unfortunate play situations. But he has got the stuff it takes. He will keep his chin up and battle his way through.

With all good wishes for your continued success, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Betty Jeanne Heller

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October 20, 1938

Dear Dr. Allen,

So far, I haven't heard anything from Mr. Miller. I have been waiting until I did before I answered your letter. He called me quite some time ago, saying that he would be out of town for a few days but would call me as soon as he got back. I have called him many times, but he has been out of town every time. I suppose he hasn't any position open for me or he would let me know. Do you know anything about it? I would like to find some little job soon, if possible.

The lessons are hard so I have to do much studying. I haven't had much time to look for a job. If you hear of anything, would you please let me know. Sorry to bother you again.

Sincerely

Betty Jeanne Heller

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November 28, 1938.

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller,
Kappa Alpha Theta,
Washburn College,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Betty Jeanne:

Mrs. Allen was up to a luncheon in Topeka recently with Mrs. Florence Allen, the wife of Judge Harry K. Allen, and somehow I feel that you are going to have some better luck. At least, I am hoping so.

You know, I haven't seen either Judge or Mrs. Allen for over a year, although I dropped in the State House to say hello one day last summer when Judge Allen was out. I did talk to Florence over the phone, and she said that she would certainly get the job done if there was any way possible. Let me know if I can help you further, and if you do not get any help let me know anyhow because I will stir something up.

I wanted to write you this letter before Thanksgiving vacation, but in the rush of administrative work and basketball coaching I did not get it done. What I am going to say is of a confidential nature, and if you desire to speak to Ralph about it, it will be all right because I will say nothing to you that I have not said to him. But he might not like it so well.

I have been terribly disappointed in the attitude that Ralph has shown toward his studies. He tells me they have had such a poor season that he could not get his mind on his work. He has not had to do much outside of his football and his studies, which he has neglected, I am sorry to say. I definitely feel that if you had been here on the campus that you would have been a contributing factor for his good. There is nothing particularly wrong with Ralph, only he loafs. He is bright — too bright to study hard when he can get by.

You remember I talked to him last summer and he told me he was through with fooling around. He says he just gets so disgusted that he goes to bed early, and when he gets home he is sleepy and can't study, so he turns in. Ralph is a fine boy, Betty Jeanne, but unless he finds himself I am very much afraid that he is not going to make of himself the things that he could or should.

For several years now I have had a requirement that the boys shall be doing passing work of a "C" grade when they play in the preliminary game.

Ralph's knee is bad, but his studies are worse. I am not letting any of the boys play if they are physically unable or if they are not passing in their work. Ralph was reported unsatisfactory in his physiology, and the dean's secretary called me to ask if I would have a talk with Ralph about it. Frankly, I think he could play basketball now so far as his knee is concerned, with the proper attention given to it, but my notion is that he will perhaps use the excuse of his knee being bad to cover up the real cause of why he could not play. The reason for exacting this rule is very plain. The boys are here to make progress toward graduation. If they fool along - just barely skim along in their studies - then that gives athletics a very bad name and they do themselves no good in their studies.

If, however, we exact a "C" grade for the non-conference games, then they study harder to bring their averages up, and in that way it is anti-flunk insurance. Then when the semester examinations come along they are not generally so nervous and afraid they are going to flunk, and they do better.

You will remember that last year all the starting freshmen were members of the National Honor Society, and Ralph was one of them. I exacted that rule last year and we kept the boys on the sideline who were low in their work. I am explaining these things to you, Betty Jeanne, so that you will have the real truth of the matter and will understand.

I am sending you a copy of the newsletter which we have sent out describing our clinic game here on December 3, when we will play Warrensburg Teachers. I thought perhaps you might want to come down to some of our games. If at any time you do, please let me know and we will have a ticket for you, but of course I expect Ralph will already have provided that. I just wanted you to know that you are always welcome.

Ralph was telling some of the boys that he perhaps won't go out until the second semester, meaning of course that the knee will not get ready until such time, but in my opinion the knee is not that bad. Perhaps I would be just like him - I would not want the public to know that it is the studies.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Betty Jeanne Heller

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November 14, 1938

Dear Dr. Allen,

About a week or so ago, Mrs. Allen called me and said she was coming out to see me sometime soon. However we both haven't been home at the same time, so she hasn't been out to the house yet. I was very lucky the other night, though, and got to see her at a fraternity party, for which she and Mr. Allen were chaperons. Truly, I don't think I have ever met a nicer woman. She is everything you say and even more. I also met Mr. Allen and think he's very nice.

The house mother, Mrs. Waters, knows the Allens, so we are going out to see them sometime soon. I'm so happy that I got to meet them.

Basketball will be starting before long, won't it? I'm getting so anxious. I'm sure you'll have the best of luck.

Thank you so much for writing the Allens and I will write you again after I talk to them.

Sincerely yours,

Betty Jeanne Heller

December 3, 1938.

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller,
Kappa Alpha Theta,
Washburn College,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Betty Jeanne:

Thank you very much for your nice letter of the 30th ultimo.

Ralph is doing much better now, but his knee is worse. I am afraid it is injured internally and it may be quite a long time before he is able to play.

I wrote you as I did, Betty Jeanne, so that you would have the whole story. I am very fond of Ralph, as you know, and I want to do everything for him that I can.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Betty Jeanne Heller

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November 30, 1938

Dear Dr. Allen,

Yesterday afternoon I was over at Mrs. Allen's home. We had a very nice visit, and I'm sure that she will help me find something. She said that I might be able to work in Dibble's grocery store or gift shop. However, I would like to get a position in which I could use my typewriting and shorthand. If I did this, I might be able to get a job here for the summer.

I am very worried about Ralph; I can't understand what is wrong with him. He has never been like this as long as I have known him. During the Thanksgiving vacation, he told me about his poor work in physiology. Nothing has disgusted me more, since I know he could do better if he only would. I talked to him, but I didn't know whether to encourage him by telling him that I knew he would do better as soon as he got back, or to make him ashamed of himself for doing so poorly. I agree with you in

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thinking that his knee isn't as bad as he lets on. That is probably a cover-up for his studies. I want Ralph to go far, more than anyone, and I know that isn't impossible if he could only get out of the rut he is in. He realizes that he isn't doing nearly as good as he should, because he has told me that many times. If I were at K.U., I am sure I could help him. In high school, he had no trouble like this, so I really can't understand it. If it is possible, I am going to try to come to K.U. next year. However, by that time, I hope everything will be all right.

Ralph didn't tell me that he wasn't going out until the second semester, but he did say that he was going to bring his grade up very soon, so he could go out. If you think I can help him in any way, would you please let me know and I will do every-thing I can.

Thank you so much for your letter. I am planning on seeing most of the games. Thank you again for everything.

Sincerely yours,
Betty Jeanne

BETTY JEANNE HELLER

July 21, 1934

Dear Dr. Allen,

There's really no excuse for my not writing you sooner in reply to such a wonderful letter as you sent Ralph. However, I started working just a week ago today, so I haven't got my time budgeted to the best advantage as yet.

I don't think it's possible for me to tell you how much I appreciate what you're doing for me. I realize how hard it will be for you, especially since I have been so slow about answering. But don't think that it's because I didn't consider

it important; I think it is one of the most important things I'll ever do. Of course, my education must come first. I'll do my utmost in my studies, I assure you.

Now about my job — I have had two years of both shorthand and typewriting. My present job is a bookkeeper for Sunflower Electric and Supply Co. Although I didn't take bookkeeping in high school, I am getting a lot of experience now, so I think I could manage most any job of bookkeeping. My dictation rate is from 80 to 100 words a minute, and my typing speed, from 50 to 60 words a minute.

Do you think if I took a business course in college, I could handle a job all right? I don't know anything about the courses at K. U., so I can't tell. I hope that I have told you all you want to know. If not, be sure and let me know, because I want to help you all I can. I think you're grand, Dr. Allen, to do this for me. It's easy to understand why Ralph thinks so much of you.

Do you think I'm doing the right thing by coming to K. U.? If, in any way, you think I might hurt Ralph, please say so, because that's one thing I don't want to do. I

want him to be as great as possible, so if I might keep him from achieving that, I would rather not come to Lawrence nett year. All through high school, the coaches have been rather against the "girl-friends", so it seems a little strange to me for you to want me to come to K. U. and do everything you are to make it possible.

Thanking you again, I am

Sincerely yours,

Betty Jeanne Heller