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Mr. Ralph Miller
State Highway Department
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Ralph:

Thank you very much for your good letter of the 21st instant giving me a very fulsome report on Mr. Strait. I appreciate it very much. However, I am rather easy now, having learned that Henry Shenk will be with us next year. I had talked with Strait as a possible candidate here if Shenk were elected to the Principalship, which he was not.

Shenk is a grand fellow and I'm very sure that all the boys in the Department of Physical Education will be happy to work with him. He will take over DeGroot's work. We have not decided on Raport's successor as yet, but the budget will be smaller for us and we're endeavoring to get a young man that will grow along with us. It will not be necessary to check further when you go home but I do appreciate it.

I'm glad that you're successful in getting some insurance prospects on the dotted line. I will be very happy to cooperate with you next year with the view of lining up some of the on-coming fellows for a policy. I would advise every young man to take out insurance. I took out a thousand dollar endowment policy when I was fifteen years of age, and a twenty five hundred dollar twenty year pay when I was nineteen. In my opinion it is the best protection that a young man can get and in addition it places a definite responsibility upon that young man to meet payments. So you can count on my being a Life Insurance booster, and it will be a pleasure to help you.

Bob is taking things rather easy; playing some golf and doing a little relaxing for his year at Pennsylvania University. Eleanor is also going to enter the University of Pennsylvania next year, desiring, I imagine, to be near Bob. And too, you know youngsters in a college town always want to get away from home. So we're agreeable to her having this experience. She's in Summer School now doing some work so that she will have additional credits.

I shall be glad to convey your greetings to the family and the good wishes which Jean sends is reciprocal. Say "hello" to your folks in your good home.

With all good wishes, I am,

Fraternally yours,

Director of Physical Education and
Recreation-Varsity Basketball and
Baseball Coach.

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