

July 5, 1940.

Mrs. H. Leigh MacCurdy,  
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Bronxville, New York.

Dear Elizabeth:

Ever since I had a conference with Catherine upon her visit to the campus I have been intending to write you and tell you that my conference with her recalled the days, years ago, when I went to Arkansas City for a conference with you. I could see in Catherine the same keen anticipation of possible success in a larger position that I saw in you.

I have just written her today telling her that the chancellor has returned and that I would endeavor to make an appointment with him early next week. I did not endeavor to make an appointment just prior to the Fourth, thinking that I might call her up for today or tomorrow and that might interfere with her Fourth of July plans. I had no great plans, except to entertain some of our guests yesterday and play golf.

I am on the job this morning clearing up some back work. Mrs. Hulteen and I are here in the office and we have arrangements made with Mrs. Webster and the telephone girl to sidetrack any of the eager visitors at the office who come in on off days and discuss things that could have easily been discussed in the regular routine of daily work. For that reason we are closing the office and getting down to brass-headed tacks. Catherine's was the first letter, and yours the second.

I want you to know that I appreciate your calling attention to Catherine's ability. When I called Miss Hoover at the University of Iowa, where she is doing some special work, she said, "You know, I hadn't thought of Catherine, either." I was a little afraid for Catherine's health, but after I saw her she had gained so much in robustness that I am sure with your constant questioning of her not to overdo she will make a fine member of our department.

There are so many things that I could write that would be of interest to you and Leigh, and had I the time I could write a couple of pages. But since this is the day of work I will terminate this epistle, and wish for you and yours continued health, happiness and success.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation.

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