

Nov. 7, 1945

Dear Prof. Allen: -

In the last Community Chest drive before we entered World War II, I sent my check with the announcement that this was my last contribution to the Community Chest so long as there existed discrimination against the girls and young women of Lawrence in the distribution of the chest's money. I had reference then, as now, to the Girl Reserves, the Girl Scouts, and the Y. W. C. A. My protest was discontinued for the duration of the war. I now resume it.

If no protests are ever made against what one believes to be unwholesome conditions, those conditions become more deeply entrenched. Much as I dislike to seem uncooperative, I dislike still more to aid and abet the entrenchment of unjustified discriminations; and I can think of no more effective way to make my protest than the one announced in my pre-war letter.

Of course, I know that you do not make the community budget; and that you have given generously both time and effort to this, as well as to other community enterprises - for which I should like, as a citizen of the community, to express my appreciation.

Sincerely,

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