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Dr. Raymond A. Schwegler,  
Dean of Education,  
University of Kansas,  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Schwegler:

*Ackn. & submit to Dr. Allen*

July 11, 1940

The National Health Council, comprised of the member agencies listed above, is primarily interested in health education. Each month a meeting of the Health Education group is held at Rockefeller Center in order that we may co-ordinate our educational activities and co-operate in getting them before the public.

Thousands of inquiries come to the National Health Council from teachers asking for information regarding health problems. At the present time two projects are being undertaken to broaden this service: One committee is revising our list of sources for health films and another group is seeking to work out some plan for widening the distribution of the fourteen subscription magazines which are being published by the various agencies here in the Center.

The National Health Library contains the largest collection of public health literature in the world. Each week it publishes the Library Index (copy enclosed) which covers current health literature as does no other review. Our librarians give advice to teachers and to public librarians on the selection of health books and co-operate with educators and civic groups in working out health programs. Graduate students write the Library for information and in some cases the librarians (for a fee) prepare bibliographies on special health subjects.

The Council itself has no literature or posters for distribution to schools, except the National Health Series (announcement enclosed). However, it does arrange programs for large visiting groups of students of health education. These programs are staged here in the Center and usually consist of four or five ten-minute talks by staff members of our affiliated agencies and the showing of at least one film on some phase of health education. Vacations during the summer make it impossible for us to arrange elaborate programs for summer school students, but we invite you and your teachers to visit the Center and become better acquainted with our facilities. We shall greatly appreciate any suggestions you may offer for building up health services to schools.

Very truly yours,

*Thomas C. Edwards*  
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Business Manager