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Dear Rotarian Allen:

It pleased me very much to receive your letter of June 6, and I thank you for it. I feel that it is a real compliment if any word that I have passed on to you had a value then or now. The lines which you quote have been a life-long conviction of mine and I have had many personal proofs that this formula works.

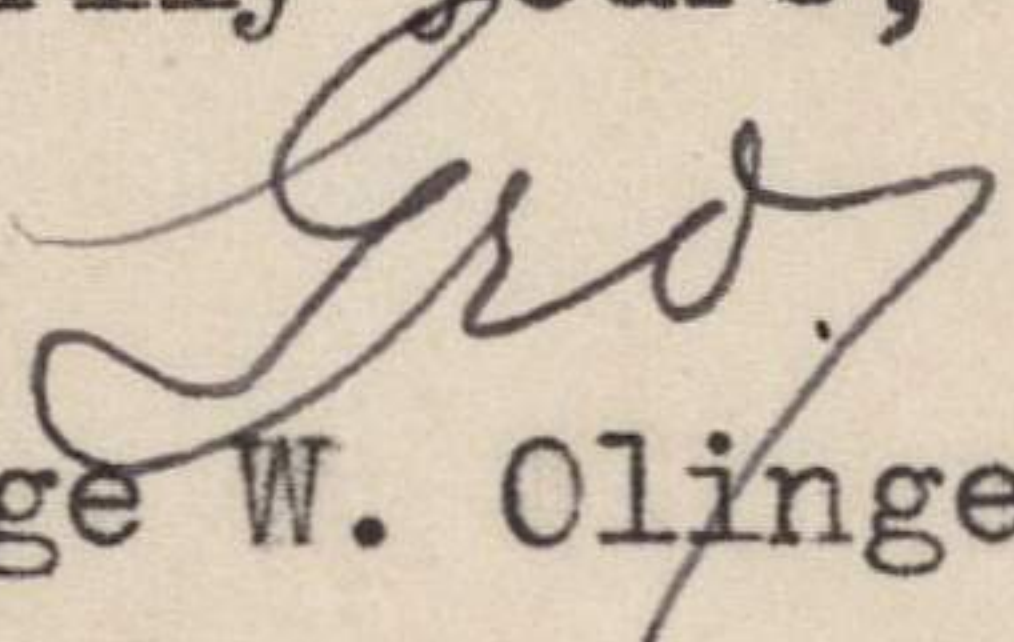
The Highlander program has been a great adventure to me personally. All my life I have had a great passion for youth and out of this experience has come some of the finest friendships of my life.

Years ago I founded the Highlander Boys' Organization whose membership today totals some 11,000, and about 7,000 of this number are in the armed forces. From the very beginning, it was my custom to enclose in every letter a card of some helpful thought or encouragement. The little packets sent represent a group of these cards, planted here and there in the hope that one or more of them occasionally may represent a stepping stone to victorious living.

In closing, may I say that if you feel that any of the cards or any additional packets would be of practical value to any of your friends or boys, if you would send me their names and addresses, I would consider it a privilege to send them packets.

The sunset picture to which you refer was one that I took at Hi Hume about 300 miles north of Vancouver in British Columbia-- a paradise for sunsets. For years I have had a lake about one-hundred miles from Denver and I am enclosing to you a little snap of it. If sometime this summer you would like to get away from the heat of Kansas into the cool of Colorado, why not come over and I will show you the most beautiful spot in our mountains-- Black Lake.

Rotarily yours,

  
George W. Olinger

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