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Eleanor Dear:

I read with much interest your letters, which contain much information. I see a continual growth in you and I am very sure that you are happy in the growth.

I have had a very busy fall which has been fraught with many hyper-tensions, but I am moving along in about the usual fashion. Ask Bob to let you see the letter I have written him and it will tell you about the physical conditioning course that we are undertaking here at the University with a very small personnel. The Kansas City Star rotogravure section of last Sunday had a picture of some of our toughening courses. I believe Mother said she was sending it to Bob, so ask Bob to let you see it. It has attracted quite a bit of attention which is attested by the Star's running it.

Our basketball team will soon be in competition. We play Missouri on Thanksgiving Day in football, and right after that, on December 1, we play the freshman in basketball and then on the 5th we play Jack Gardner's Pre-Flight "Clippers". I am sending you a schedule for the season.

I am counting on having tickets for the Williams family in New York and am sorry if Mother does not want to go. She could, of course, if she wanted to, but she feels the financial pinch that is always present in her rigid economy. Of course she wants to come back and see you graduate. But unless your graduation is stepped up a lot I will also be back there, if things go as expected. I am vice president of Rotary, and if the Board of Directors follow their tradition they will elect the vice president president and the Board of Directors always send the president and his wife to the international convention. This next summer the convention will be held in Philadelphia. Let me know when your graduation is, and I think that we can arrange to be present, and also take in the convention. That would be nice, would it not? And of course Mother would get her expenses paid. I think I spoke to her about it, but upon going home this evening I will mention that to her again and possibly she may break down and spend some of her money, but again, I imagine she will put it in the old sock, as she generally does, for the children because she is always afraid they may not have enough to last.

I do not wish to minimize Mother's illness nor her sprained knee, but she was the healthiest looking person on the Kansas ballroom floor last night. We had a fine turkey dinner at the Union Building when the Rotarians entertained the Rotary Anns. She did full justice to a very fine meal.