

December 3, 1941

Mr. Gifford Roux
256 Elm Street
Roxana, Illinois

Dear Gifford,

I was saddened beyond measure when I received your letter of November 20 telling me of your father's illness.

We cannot explain some things we can only accept them and do the very best under the conditions. We were so very fond of you here, Gifford,

I have been out on a speaking engagement during Thanksgiving and returned to find my desk full of unanswered mail. I asked my secretary to write you and tell you the basic things that she could find out.

I have just talked to Mr. Hitt, the Registrar, and he is taking it up with your dean, Dean George B. Smith, to see that you are properly withdrawn so that there will be no failures recorded against you. This will keep your record clean if and when you are able to return.

I also talked with Mr. Hitt regarding a possible refund of your tuition explaining that it was a case of illness that necessitated your withdrawal from school. Unfortunately, they have a rule that no refund will be given after the first six weeks of school - this is on tuition, hospitalization, and activity books. I tried every way that I could to get you some refund, but the rules of the University are very clear, and there is no way to do anything about it.

Miss Gowans will get your check from the Business Office on the 10th of December and will also obtain your refund of \$1.00 from the towel room.

Let us hear from you, Gifford and if there is any further way in which we may be of service, let us know.

Milton inquired about you and is so sorry to learn of the unfortunate illness of your father. He said, "Gee, Dad, he was one of the very best men I had. Tell Gifford I am sorry he had to leave because I got to like him so much".