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Dr. F. C. Allen, Kansas University, Lawrence, Kansas.

How have you been getting along this long hot summer? I have thought of you many times and have intended answering the letter I received from you, in which I was very much interested and very thrilled over, but I really have been busy all summer, Dr. Allen. I have been working on the ice dock and ice wagon and as you know, taking some correspondence work too.

I was getting along fine with my lessons until the 15th of this month when I started working on the ice route from seven in the morning until one every day, and then going back on the dock at four and working until eleven at night so I have gotten behind with my lessons.

I wonder if you would get permission for me to work on my correspondence work for three or four weeks after I get back to school. I can work with the ice company until I leave to go back to school, if you will do that for me, and I really do need the money badly. If you do not feel like doing that, I will have to quit work the first and double up on my lessons to get through but I would surely appreciate your assistance because I surely could use the extra money I would make.

Beginning the first I will only be working from four in the afternoon until eleven at night and can get a lesson each day but even at that I will not be able to get through. May I hear from you, Sir, giving me the benefit of your suggestions?

It will not be long now until we will all be back together and I am looking forward with pleasure to seeing you again and getting back into harness again for another year. With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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