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Mrs. Fanehon Reid,
307 South 1st St.,
Arkansas City, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Reid:

Your very welcome letter was received and I was glad to hear from you. Bruce is getting along very nicely. His only difficulty was that he showed a failure in German and Unsatisfactory in History. I have been putting a good deal of legitimate pressure on him to get his work up.

I was shocked to know that he was failing in German, because I have a freshman son who is taking German and he thinks it is quite easy if he spends some time on it. I really believe that Bruce has neglected his subjects in the early fall, feeling that he could pick them up when it was necessary.

Before our varsity-freshman game I made a rule that unless the boys were passing in all their work satisfactorily they could not play. Everybody on the varsity got eligible but Bruce, and of course I am still applying the same rule for our non-conference games until Bruce gets his work up. We lost a lot of the freshmen, but it was the best stimulant that our boys have had.

Bruce's fraternity brothers are also applying legitimate pressure, and I believe that Bruce will be eligible. I have Bruce work out with the team, but do not let him play in games. He was in this morning and said that he would have to take an examination this afternoon and another one tomorrow, and he has hopes of getting his work up so that he may play in the Ottawa game tomorrow night. We are not making him feel like an orphan, as we have him dress with us and practice with us, but we are withholding him from games so that he will come up like the rest of the boys in his grades.

I want to assure you, Mrs. Reid, that I am very anxious to have Bruce eligible. He is a good player and a fine boy. I should have written you sooner, and I really expected to, but I have been so rushed that I have just now gotten around to it. By Bruce getting his work up now he should not fail at the end of the semester, and should continue to play with us throughout the season.