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DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

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Dear Dr. Allen:

If it were for myself alone I would not have the nerve to approach you on this subject, but since I am not the only one involved in the action, it is therefore my duty.

At the time, very little attention was paid to the letters which I wrote and the ease went so far as my actual withdrawal from classes before the real effort was made on the part of the faculty to convince me that I had made a mistake. Dr. Brewster said that by not accepting the hospital excuse, I was definitely branding myself as a non-cooperative individual and letting down the department as well. It had seemed to me that I was cooperating with the University regulations by openly declaring my views on the subject and then acting according to their decision; I had cooperated with the Chemistry Department by carrying out to the best of my ability, whatever work they desired; and I had cooperated with what I thought was the spirit of the National Effort by locating and accepting work which at least my employer considered to be essential. I can take a much more profitable position elsewhere but I could not do that without making this last effort to fulfill my obligation to the Chemistry Department. I am here to talk the problem over with you and to see if you could make it possible for Dean Stouffer to reenroll me in Physical Conditioning so that I can also then be reenrolled in my other courses and then as a graduate student be accepted by the Department of Chemistry as an assistant Instructor.

Sincerely yours,

Robert J. Slocombe

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