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Dear "Pip":

Coming back from Norman, Oklahoma, on our way to Oklahoma City in the winter of 1940 you told me of an incident wherein you picked up Ug Roberts and Allie Paine for "hot car" lifting. These boys, as I remember, had gotten in the habit of finding an unlocked car. They would drive it with their date until the car ran out of gas, then leave it and pick up another. I remember you told me you went out to the house and picked the boys up and took them down to the station for this infraction of the law.

A couple of years ago I told Bruce Drake about this and he stated that he had gone down to the police station and checked the records and could find no record on the police book. I told him that doubtless you did not enter it in the records but just scared the kids up and made them realize they were definitely breaking the law and could get into serious trouble.

Last Friday night at the Oklahoma game Jack Copeland was here in Lawrence and told me he remembered riding in the car at the time you told me. I said, "Why didn't you tell Bruce Drake that while we were speaking of it?", but he said that he did not want to deal in any unpleasantry.

I assure you that I do not expect to give this any public attention in any way, but I would like for you to write me the facts and details so that I could assure Drake that I was not talking out of thin air.

Ray Evans, one of our varsity basketball players, tells me that while he was playing in the state tournament in Topeka three years ago Gerald Tucker, now of the Oklahoma team, was picked up for the same thing.

It is a silly boy's prank, but it can get a fellow into a lot