

May 18, 1939
McPherson, Kansas

Mr. Forrest C. Allen
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

I received your letter of the 17th instant and was very happy to get it. I am now definitely planning on going to K.U. The CSEP job, which we have talked about, and a job in the towel room surely ought to be enough to keep me busy in my spare time as well as to provide me with needed money. I sincerely believe you when you tell me that I'll be able to get one of the CSEP jobs. I gather that you thought that I was merely calling you a prevaricator, which I didn't mean at all.

As my part of high school is rapidly drawing to a close I have already been out scouting for jobs, as you suggested in your letter. At present I am working as assistant custodian in the Farmers Alliance Insurance Co. This only provides about three hours of work a day and five on Saturday. This is not enough to save any besides what I spend for living expenses, so for that reason I'm hunting for more. I put my application in for a job today. I will know the results of my efforts next Tuesday. I also have several prospects lined up besides this one. I might be able to get a job out in one of the local nurseries. I know the manager of this nursery personally and this might help me in getting a job there. A job of this type would be serve doublefold--that to build me up and to keep me in condition and also to provide me with the money I need. I have applied for a job at the new swimming pool, and I have hopes of getting on there. If I did get on there it would be probably as a lifeguard or as check-boy. There are a great number of applicants out there but we can hope for the best.

In McPherson jobs are rather scarce, as they are in most places now, but this isn't dampening my spirits in the least. I know there is a good job somewhere for a person with determination and it is with this in mind that I'm conducting my search for better employment. If I could save up around \$50 during the summer I think I could make it all right. Don't you? I will write you often about the progress I am making in finding a job.

I am glad that you realize my stand on coming to K.U., as it really is for the education more than it is for athletics, however I do enjoy athletics very much.

If I ever get the chance to come to Lawrence to see you, I'll notify you ahead of time. However I doubt if I will find time as soon as I get me a job and get settled for the summer. Whenever you have an opportunity to come through McPherson, I'd appreciate it very much if you'd drop in and see me. It would be a good idea if you notified me of your coming ahead of time, so as I could arrange to be sure and be there to see you. With all good wishes, and hoping to hear from you soon, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Victor Laugh