A/C Otto Schnellbacher, Group II, Class 44-12-4A, Hondo, Texas.

Dear Solmelly:

I'm glad to know you are enjoying the Rebounds and that some of the boys are not too far away from you. I hope you will be able to see some of the fellows who are in Texas.

Things are going along smoothly here. Henry Shenk and Reg Strait left last night for a fishing trip to Colorado, the first vacation either one has had in over a year. Henry plans to start football practice sometime in August. He has a few V-12 boys who were on the team last year, and with the 17-year-olds and 4-Fs, will do the best he can. Our V-12 program will not be cut until the end of this semester (the last of October), and we expect approximately 125 ASTP boys next month. Gradually the training programs are being decreased, and we hope it is because the authorities see an early end to the need for more trained personnel.

We are going to start a little basketball next week, and give the boys a chance to shoot some goals.

We hope, as you do, that you and the rest of the boys will be back to enroll again in September '45.

Lots of good luck to you, Schnelly.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.