

February 26, 1945.

Mrs. Margaret P. Speelman,
Haskell Institute,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Speelman:

Personally I want to thank you very much and to extend the added thanks of the University of Kansas for the splendid contribution of your students in giving the exhibition between halves at the basketball game on Saturday night.

The number was so well received that I have heard many, many compliments on the splendid work done. I do want you to know how much I appreciate your contribution because there are so many calls upon your time and you have always been very generous.

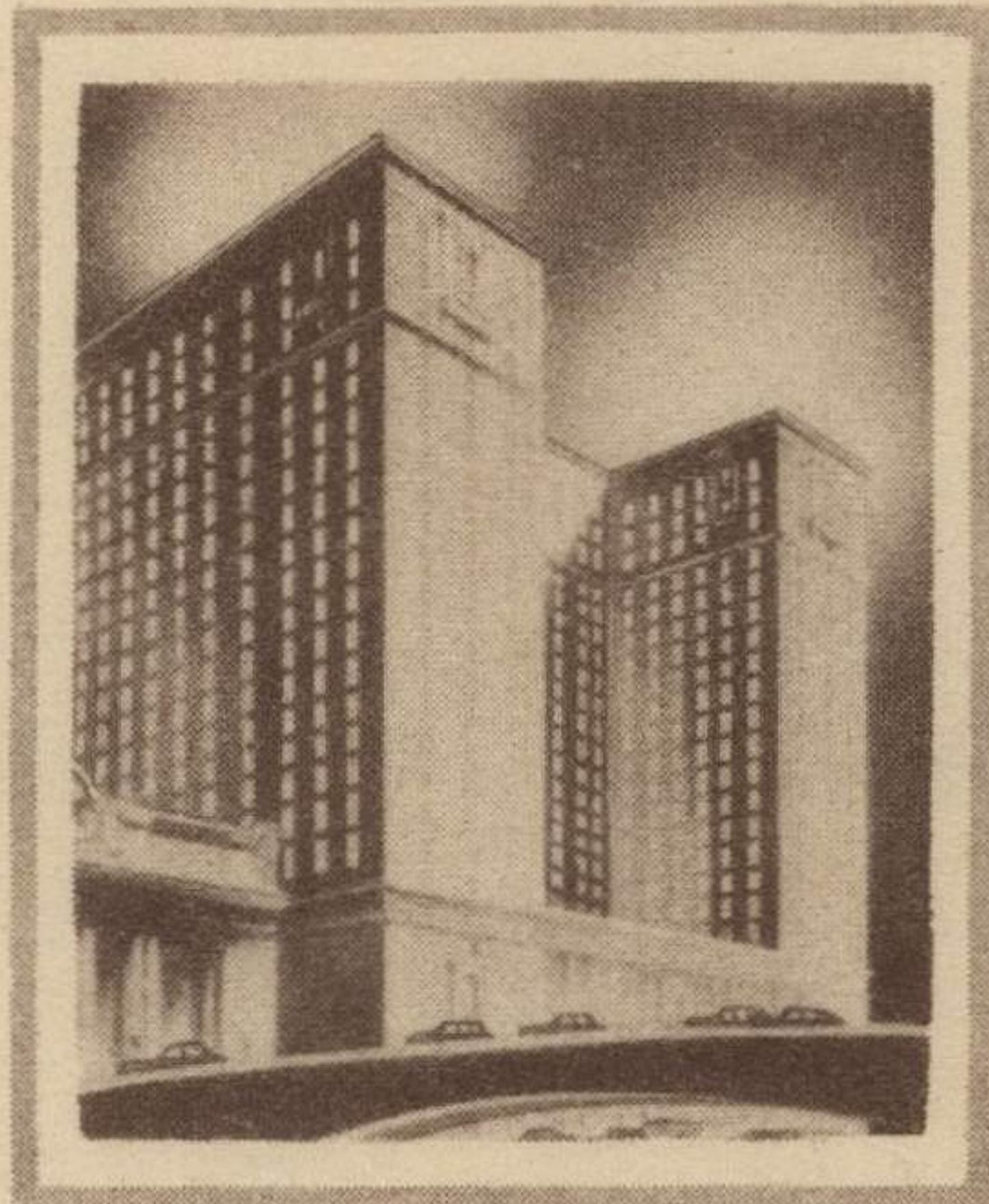
Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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MARTIN SWEENEY, President

GEORGE H. HOWARD, Manager



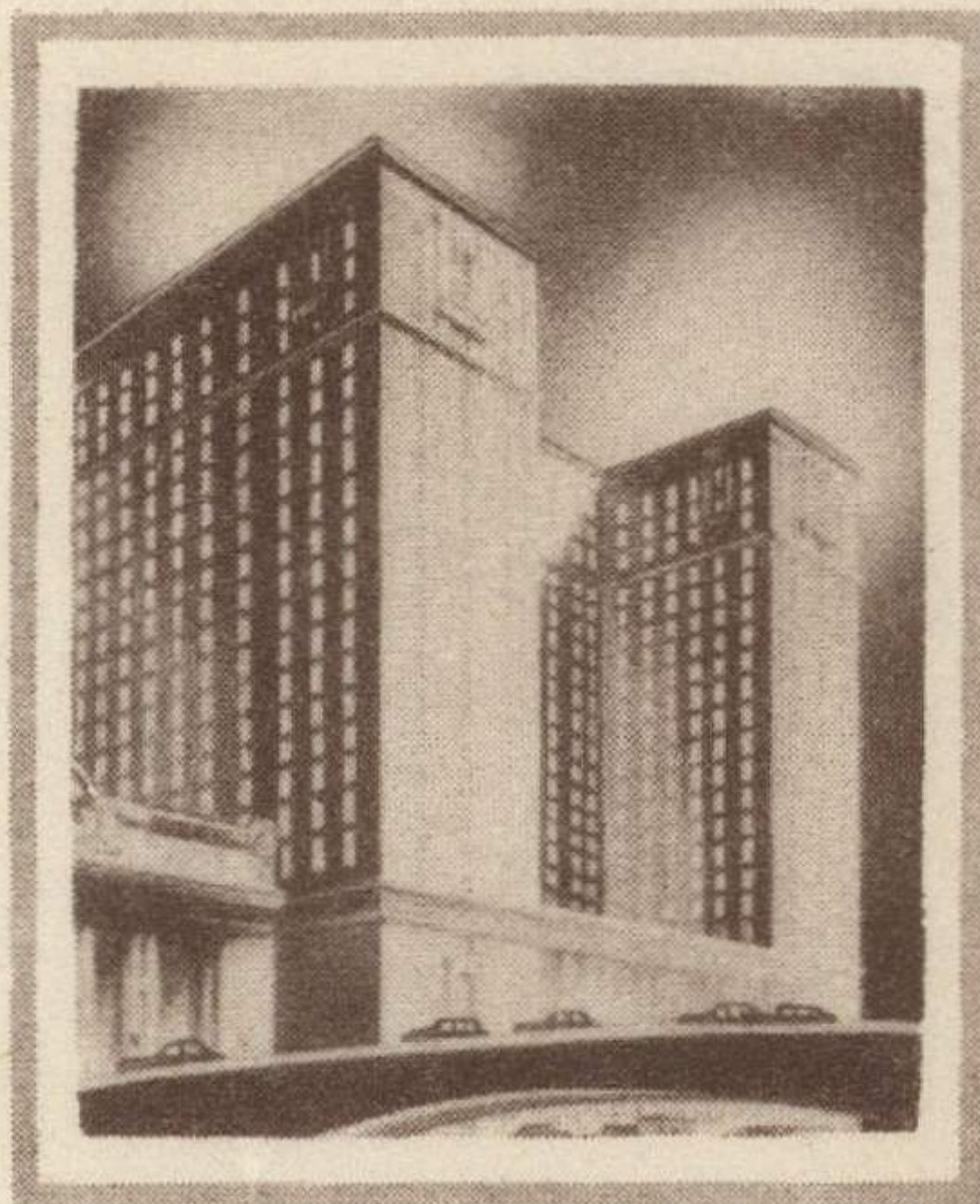
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"NEW YORK'S BEST LOCATED HOTEL"

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31 January 1945

Dear Doc:

Am in New York for three days and then back to Boston on the old assignment. As I left Boston, the recent copy of the "Rebonds" arrived -- again may I say that I feel flattered to be on the mailing list. I surely enjoy reading about the boys so well known at K.U. and who made such a name for themselves and the School -- they are continuing the good record



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throughout the World. I am proud to think that I had a goodly number of them in my classes -- I can imagine your deep feeling and pride in their deeds -- equally am I confident of their sincere respect and devotion to you. The Rebounds is another way in which you prove your loyalty and interest in them -- all is appreciated, I want you to realize.

I am enclosing a clipping in tonight's paper. It must give you great satisfaction to have crusaded



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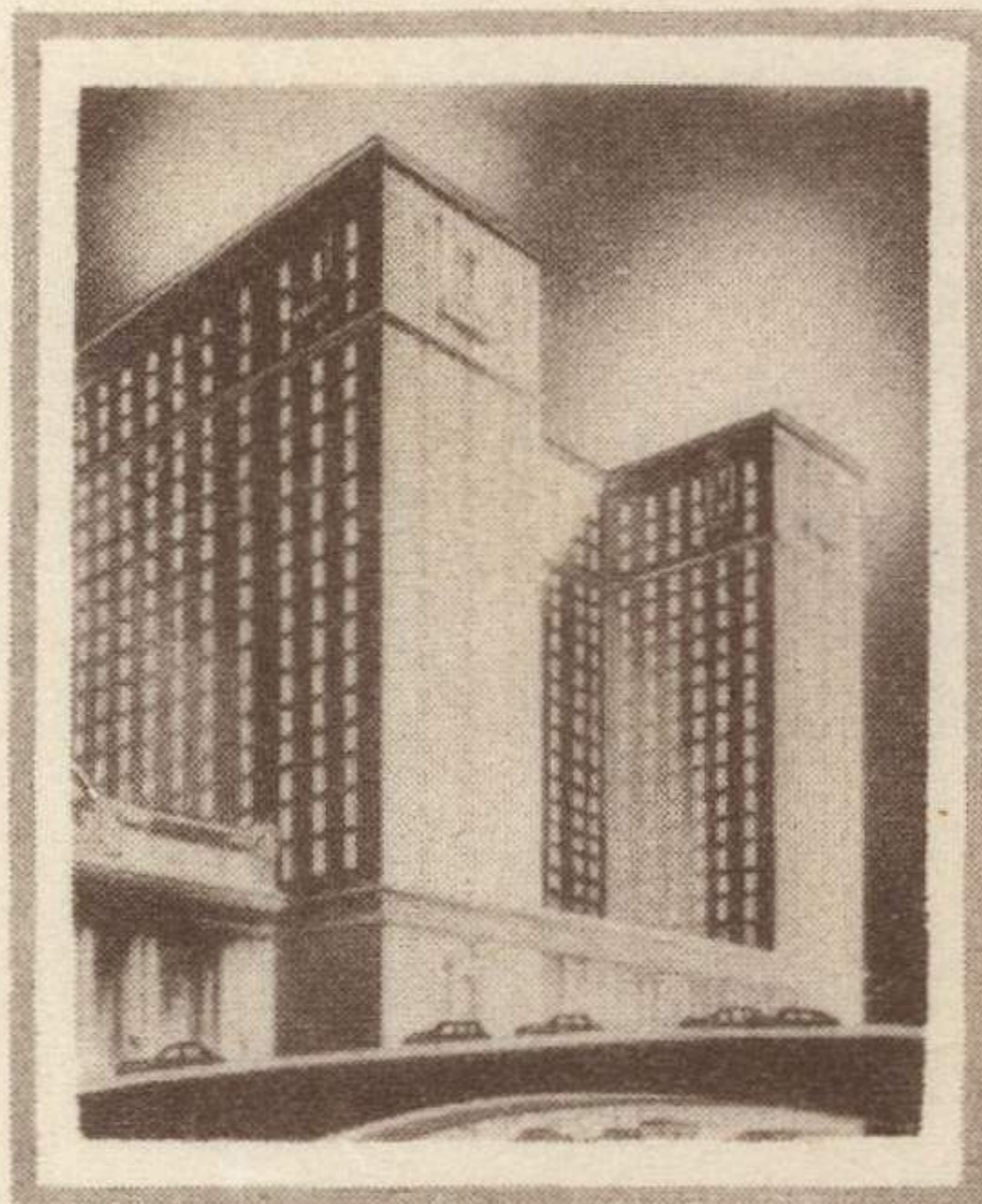
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along these lines and received much criticism -- now to have your point win. Great credit is due to you.

Things are per usual with me. Hopes grow dim for my chances to go to sea or foreign duty, but I'll try hard again this spring (perhaps to my harm). I have been so lucky compared with many other boys -- I feel so deeply that I should be out with them -- it'll be hard to come back and face them if I have no chance to go out.

I know you are very busy with your basket ball team -- I have



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subscribed again to the Journal-World and will now be able to follow the team. Best of luck, doc! I know come Win or Defeat you have given all as well as the Boys -- that is what counts.

Am feeling better this winter. We are having a hard winter -- lots of snow, cold weather, and wind.

War news sounds good -- hope by next years things will be righted to a great extent.

Thanks again.

Sincerely,
Bill Shannon

February 14, 1945.

Mr. Cy Sherman,
Sports Editor,
The Lincoln Star,
Lincoln 1, Nebraska.

Dear Cy:

Thanks for your tear sheet as of February 1. I appreciate the statements you make regarding the expose of gambling on basketball.

I am sorry that I did not have a chance to visit with you when I was in Lincoln. We took a good licking, and I am still wondering whether the Nebraska boys thought they were playing that football game over of last fall. It was the roughest encounter our poor boys have faced this year, but in addition, Nebraska was hotter than the proverbial little station stove.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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February 14, 1945.

Dr. Homer M. Sheldon,
6243 Brookside Road,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Dr, Sheldon:

Your kindness in sending me tear sheets from the sport section of the Chicago Sunday Tribune is greatly appreciated. I have always known you were a great fan. You never miss a thing!

Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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February 13, 1945.

Captain H. J. Smith,
G. L. Martin A.A.F.,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Herman:

It was a delight to see you last Saturday at Lincoln and I am sorry that our boys couldn't give a better account of themselves at that time. However, we can expect set-backs every now and then such as we experienced at Lincoln.

I am sending you the last issue of our Jayhawk Rebounds and will put you on the mailing list.

With all good wishes to you and yours, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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February 5, 1945.

Mr. W. E. Spalding,
701 Ohio Street,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mayor:

Thanks for giving me your ideas, as shown in the letters to the editor as of 5/18/44. I will take this up with our Civic Action Council at the next meeting. I assure you you have plenty of food for thought and for health.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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January 29, 1945.

Mrs. Cecil Smay,
Mechanicsville, Iowa.

Dear Mrs. Smay:

I am happy to have your letter of January 24th in which you give me Cecil's address. We are putting him on our mailing list for the Jayhawk Rebounds, and I am sending the one to you in which his name was mentioned.

I am returning the dollar you sent, because this is a service we try to do for the boys and there is no charge for it. We are happy to have Cecil's name on our list.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Mechanicville Ia,
January 24, 1945

15 Please Mr. Allen: In a letter from my husband, Cecil Smay he enclosed a clipping in regard to "Jayhawk Rebounds" in which his name was mentioned. I guess his mother had sent the clipping to him. I wonder if there would be any way in which I could get that copy. It must have been in December sometime. I would appreciate it so much.

Cecil is in Honolulu
and has seen Bent
Staga several times. He
has been there over
a year now. We lived
in Cedar Rapids, Iowa
before he entered service
and 3 or 4 years ago
he was so pleased
to get to see you in
Iowa City.

I'm teaching school
and living with my
mother as many
wives are doing.

I will enclose this
dollar bill and hope

it will cover any
expense or trouble
this will cause.

I wish Cecil could
get "Rebound" but I
suppose he is not
eligible as he did
not get his degree
from Kansas.

His address is

Cecil G. Smay J.F. 1/c
Co. D.

16th Naval Constr. Batt.

90 Fleet P.O.

San Francisco, Cal.

P.S. He hears Sincerely,
From Max Hamm
occasionally.

Isabelly Smay.

ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED

SCOTTISH RITE



OF FREEMASONRY

SOUTHERN JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
ORIENT OF KANSAS VALLEY OF LAWRENCE

CLARENCE E. BIRCH, 33°
SECRETARY-REGISTRAR
MASONIC TEMPLE
LAWRENCE, KANSAS

Birthday Greetings

Dear Brother Member
of the Scottish Rite:

Has it been a year since last you were receiving the congratulations of relatives and friends because you had reached and passed another milestone on the great pilgrimage of life? It does not seem quite possible, but our records assure us that it is true.

So, since the records and the calendar must be right, we are happy to extend our greetings, our good will and our best wishes for many more events of this kind. Likewise, may we express our hope that the past year has been kind to you and yours and that the year just opening will be one of satisfactions to you.

Satisfactions not only of a physical and material kind, but enduring ones which add increment to the spiritual building-- "That Temple not made with hands"--which every mason is erecting.

After a long period of trying times, which brought many losses in membership, your Scottish Rite Bodies are again growing in a very fine way. Many new members have been coming in and a goodly number reinstated. The number of suspensions has been greatly decreased. All this bespeaks a healthy and wholesome situation here. We know you will be glad of this news.

Many new faces are appearing in the Degree work, along with quite a sprinkling of the older ones. On the whole, we believe the lessons are being presented in a most commendable manner. New members express their appreciation enthusiastically, and we are encouraged. Attendance, too, has picked up, and we are always happy to greet our members at regular meetings as well as at Reunions.

It is always a pleasure to hear from you, either in person or by letter.

Cordially and fraternally,

THE SCOTTISH RITE BODIES OF LAWRENCE

By

C. E. Birch

Secretary

Pvt Schaeke Lt. (Jr) USNR

US Navy 416

FPO, N.Y., N.Y.

23 December 1944
Saturday morning,
Dartmouth, Devon
England.

Hello Doc.

Received the Jayhawk Rebounds yesterday and I certainly did enjoy it. No alibis are necessary Doc. We all have learned a little lesson in patience since we have been dealing with the forces. I am sure that I couldn't begin to hold down the job you are doing. I am looking forward to the next rebounds already. The human being is never satisfied. The more he gets the more he wants etc, and I know from experience that I could never get too much mail. Your work on the Rebounds is well spent, Doctor.

I am resting on duty now as permanent officer-of-the-deck at this rest camp. This is the best duty that I have had doc and I am taking advantage of it. I am in pretty fair shape now having worked off 15 pounds of fat playing basketball. We have a 40 x 100 ft. mess-hut to play basketball in and to use for a recreation hut. It serves our purpose.

St Louis

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Doc - remember big 'red' Thompson, and how big 'red' and I would draw the position of cannon fodder when we were trying to play basketball. I have been trying to get his address over here. I understand he is in England and would like to see him again. I always got along well with big 'red'.

Doc, I have been thinking seriously of what I'll do after this is over. I want to get a masters degree as a sort of indoctrination for the normal way of life when I do get back. I will undoubtedly come in and have a serious talk with you when I get back. The Educational set up has been doubtless, seriously altered by this mess and I haven't been able to keep up with the many changes that have taken place. I find I know so very little and I must know more. I plan on coming back to school but I am going to need some information

Doc and I will come to you for some
of it.

Well, Doc I'm not much on the newsy
side today and about all I can do is
send my regards and best wishes.

Good luck in basketball doc.

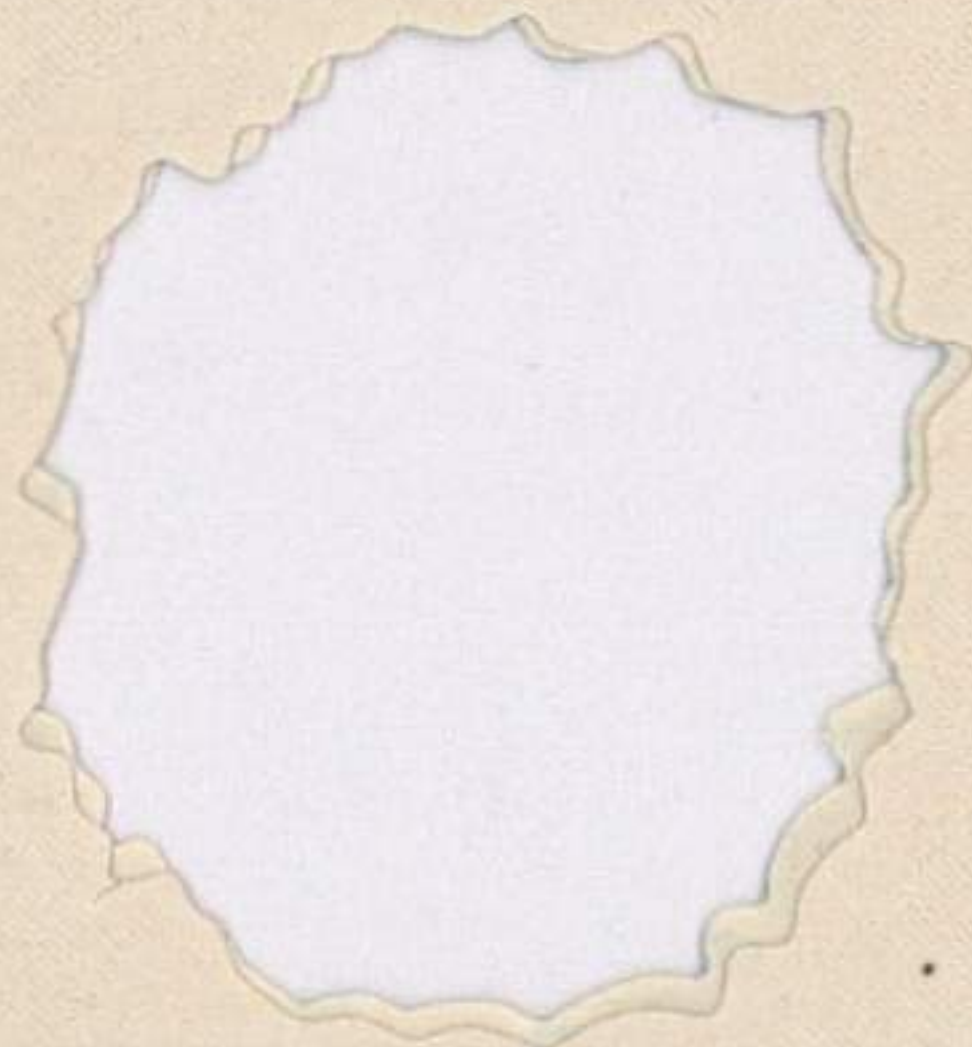
Sincerely
R. Schaap

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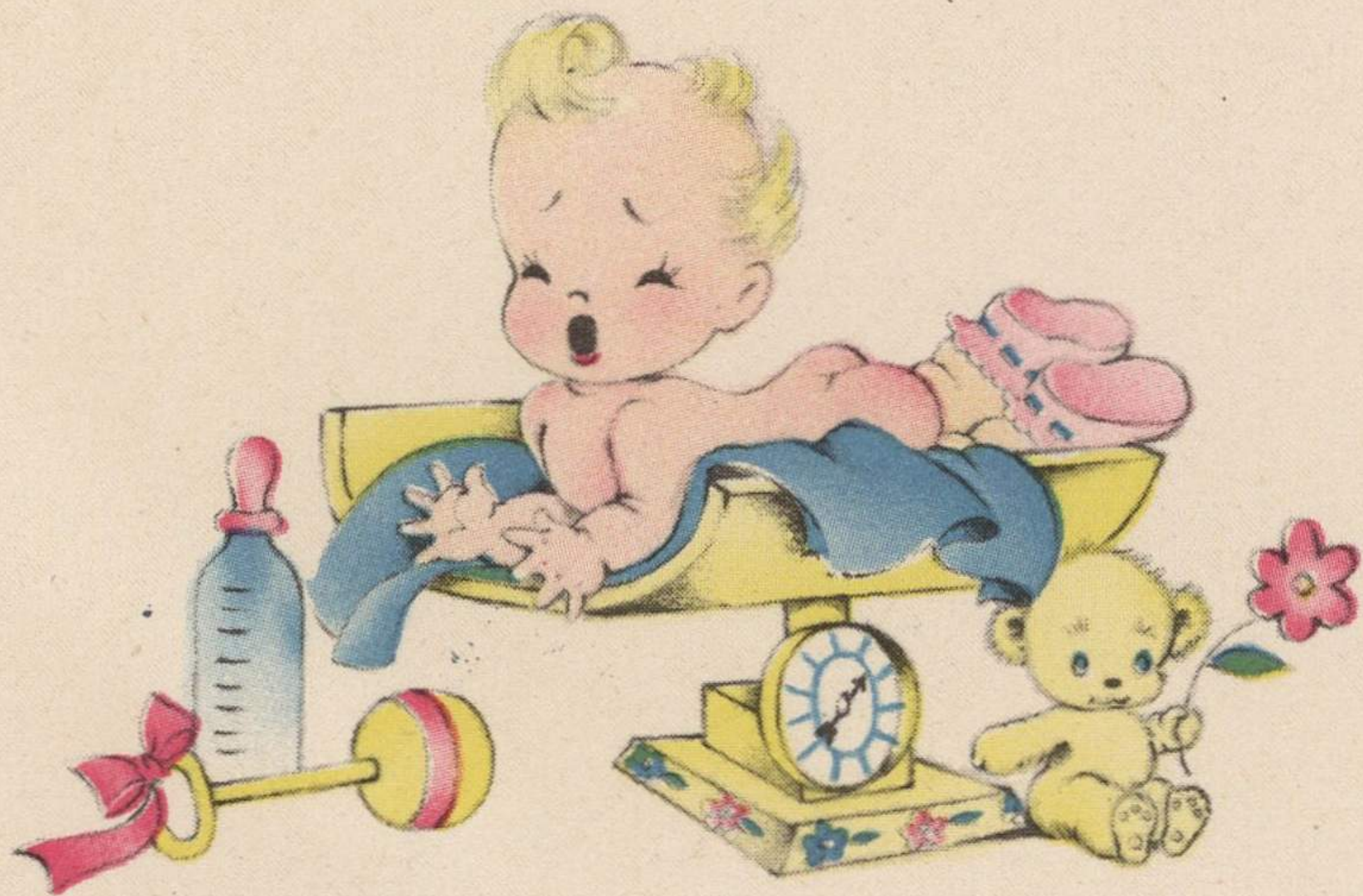
And are we proud!

Name Sally Jo



Date Dec 30 1944

Parents Margaret & David Shick



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VOLLAND, JOLIET, U.S.A.

OFFICE OF THE PHYSICAL TRAINING OFFICER
WALLA WALLA ARMY AIR FIELD
WASHINGTON

9 December 1944

Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Doc:

I want to thank you for your consideration and trouble in sending me your book. Isolated as we are up here there were no copies in stock at any of the places that we trade. The copy that I used to own has long since disappeared.

Our basketball team is not too red hot as yet but we do have possibilities. To date we have beaten Gonzaga University and McCaw General Hospital. This coming week we play University of Idaho and Geiger Field. What we really need is two guards. If we can dig them up somewhere we might stand a chance against a little heavier competition.

Our Air Force is divided into four districts. We are in the northern district. The winners of the four districts play off in San Francisco and the winner there represents the Air Force in a National Tournament in New York, on March 15th. The joker in getting up a good team lies in the fact that these men must do all of their practicing and playing after they have finished their days work. Some of the boys work as high as twelve and sixteen hours at a time so you can see that they are tired when they come out to practice. We find however that if they do come out after they get off work they are really sold on the game, and they are swell to work with.

We have a twelve team intramural league running now and we find a few boys that way. We have to use all permanent party personnel because the combat crews have such a rigid training schedule.

Our old transportation bugaboo that we had to contend with in Florida has smoothed out here. They fly us to our games in the big B-24's. In this way we can make a trip, play a game, and be back ready for work the next morning. If we are weathered in we have a fifteen passenger car (like the one at Haskell) which we ride in.

Thanks again for your courtesy. I enjoy reading about the boys in the "Rebounds".

Yours,

George T. Stapleton
GEORGE T. STAPLETON,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Phys Trng. Officer.

Print the complete address in plain block letters in the panel below, and your return address in the space provided. Use typewriter, dark ink, or pencil. Write plainly. Very small writing is not suitable.

No. _____



(CENSOR'S STAMP)

To Forrest C. Allen
Kansas Uni
Lawrence
Kansas

From Capt. Forrest G. Stith
(Sender's name)
57th Bomb Wing Hq.
(Sender's address)
apo 850
96 pm. m.s.
Jan. 1, 1945
(Date)

Dear "Phog",
Even the accident of
birth took place for me in Mo.
I do enjoy every word of your
"Rebounds". No. 12 arrived yesterday.
My S.S. attendance and assist in classes
with Schladerman, Dr. Haismith and you in
1924 (oh boy! 20 yrs ago!) pulls me to M.C.
more than you think.

My chief clerk is a Hutchinson athlete,
Sgt. "Bat" Stroup, is a member of our wing
Hq. team now. Capt. Lowe, Hq. of Horton,
(Hometown of Mrs. Mangel - my ad) & plnd leader in
1918) also knows a number of the
men you mention. # Abilene is the home
town of "Ike" - but also the home of
*50% of Co. H. 139th Inf. - By the way I hear
the old 35th is doing all right "over there"
now. - May 1945 be one of the best for you
and yours! *50% Carrollton, Mo.
Sincerely
Forrest Stith

V MAIL

2 January, 1945.

Dear Dr. Allen,

I wish to thank you for putting me on the "Rebound" mailing list. I enjoy reading it very much. I also should like to join with the many others in appreciation of the fine tribute paid T.P. by you and his other friends.

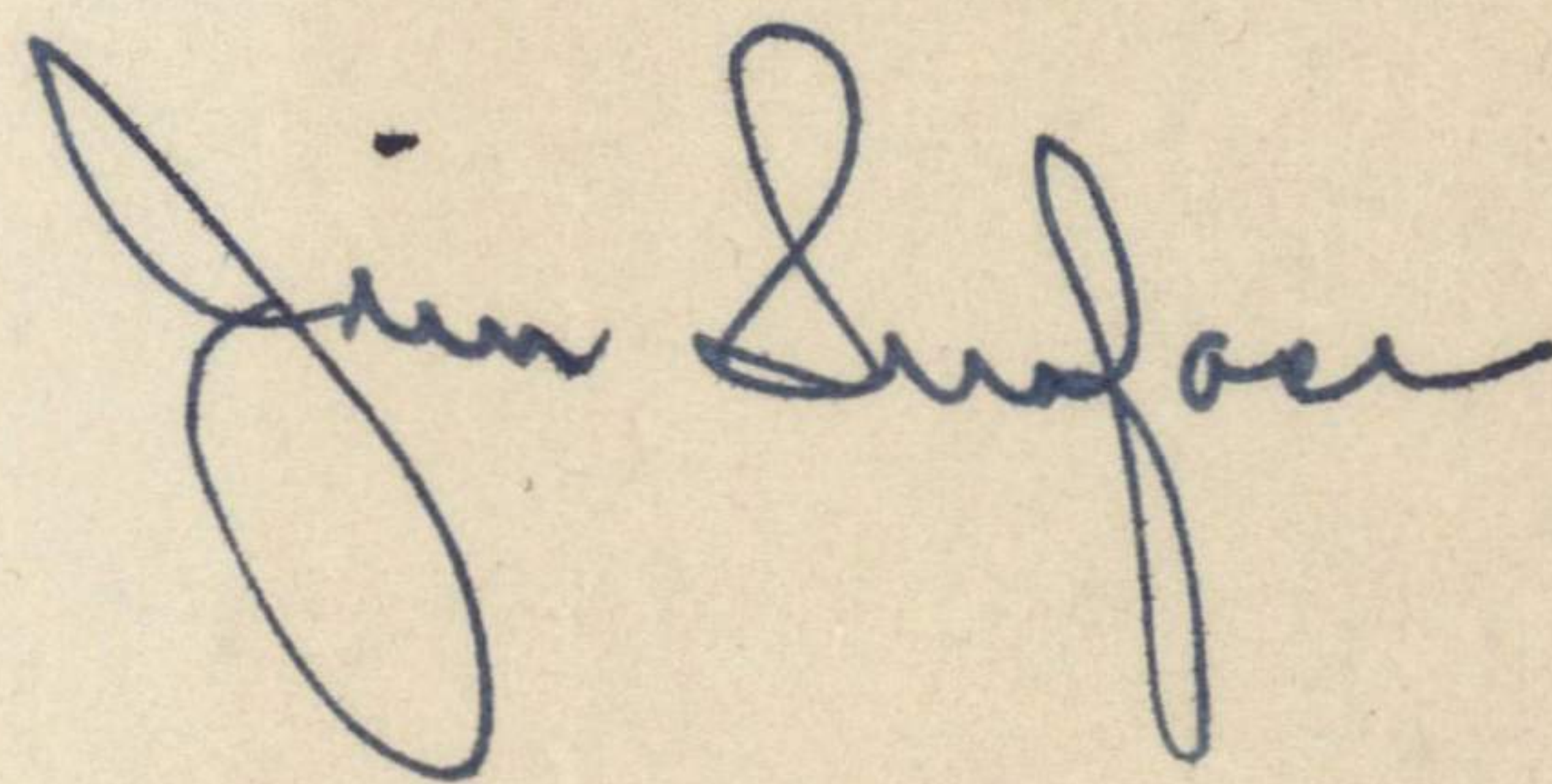
I think that I failed to mention in my last letter that one of my good friends at my station in Hawaii was a friend of yours. Lt. Commander "Rollie" Williams, former basketball coach at Iowa U., was the athletic director at the Naval Air Station where I served for about 18 months. I got to know him fairly well-especially as a fishing companion-and he is certainly a fine gentleman. He was very well liked at the station, and many were the bull sessions which, more often than not, would end with Rollie telling basketball stories..especially about "Doc" Meanwell and Rollie's playing days at Wisconsin. I could always "needle" him a little about that last pasting the boys from Mt. Oread gave him, but he was a grand sport about it.

The naval officer who had the room across from mine also knows you and you may remember him. He was Jim Wells, now a Lt.(j.g.) in the Navy, and formerly a sports broadcaster from Buffalo, N.Y.. Jim told me that he interviewed you on his program several times when you were traveling through Buffalo.

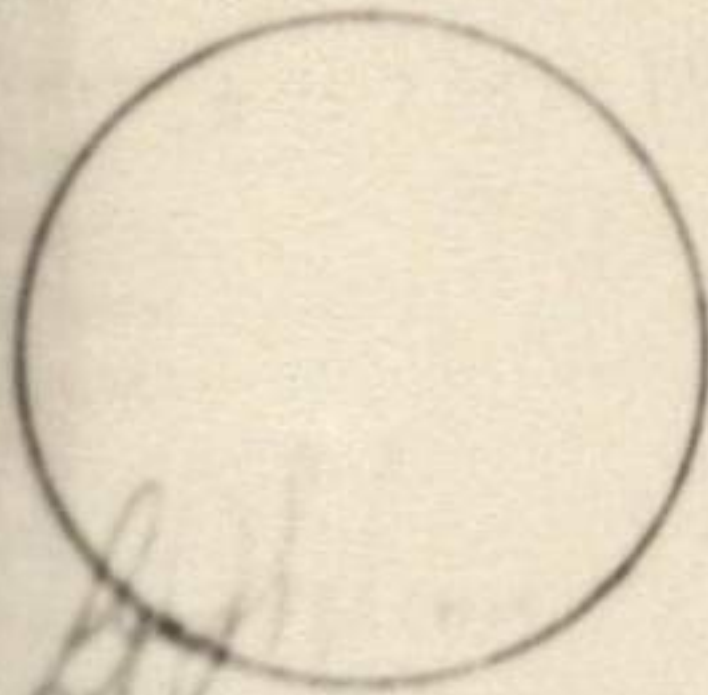
Again I want to thank you for putting me on the mailing list, and I want to notify you of a change in address. I am still stateside, but the present address is Lt. James R. Surface, c/o General Delivery, Dana Point, Calif.

Best of luck in the basketball season. Now that basketball season is back, we Jayhawkers can hold our own in the numerous "bull sessions".

Sincerely,



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(CENSOR'S STAMP)

TO
Dr. Forest P. Allen,
800 Indiana
Lawrence
Kansas

SEE INSTRUCTION NO. 2

FROM

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Sgt. John Slocum
"B" 329th Inf. P.P. 85
The New York
11/24/41

(Sender's complete address above)

Dear "Phog":

The "Rebonds" brought me the

news of J.H. Hunter's death.

It kinda "makes us "clogg up"
inside when we think of all our buddies
who wait by "there" for that Victory Reunion.
Each loss just embitters us, just that much
more against our Kraut and Jap enemy.

K.H. never had a student who
loved you more than he. (J.P.) You were
K.H. to him. We'll all miss him.

John W.S.

HAVE YOU FILLED IN COMPLETE ADDRESS AT TOP?

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January 15, 1945.

Ens. F. R. Schultheis, 350138,
U.S.S.L.C.I. (L) 758,
c/o Fleet Postoffice,
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Frank:

Yes, indeed, I do remember you. I spoke to Mrs. Hulteen when I looked at your name and said, "I know that fellow." When I saw Philippines at the top of the page I thought the letter might be from some fellow I had never seen or heard from before. I often get such letters. But when I glanced at the first sentence and saw that you had been in my class I rather got a kick out of it.

When a fellow sits at his desk and dictates a number of letters he glances at the name first, then hastily glances over the page, so that accounted for my explanation in the preceding paragraph.

Yes, sir, you are correct. The 27.5" ball is exactly 2" smaller in circumference than the official ball should be. The soccer ball, you know, is only 27", so they have almost switched a soccer ball on you. They stamp "official" on most everything. The high school ball is 29" in circumference. The theory is that the fingers of the boys are shorter than the college players.

An official ball sells for about \$16 or \$17; but of course the Navy would get it much less than that.

There was a time when the official basketball measured 32" in circumference. As the ball was gradually reduced in size, the skill in shooting became more apparent. The one-handed shooting is the direct result of the smaller ball.

I certainly will be pleased when this thing is over so that you can come back and enjoy Mt. Oread with all the pleasantries, and with Kansas basketball thrown in occasionally for good measure. To keep you in tune with things we are putting you on the Jayhawk Rebounds mailing list - a letter that I try to get out every month to the boys in the service.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Philippines
4 January 1944

Dear Mr. Allen,

I doubt if you remember me but I was in your early-morning phys. cond. class in '43-44. I hate to bother you with such a trivial matter but I could think of no one better qualified than you to settle an argument about basketball. There are quite a few men on both sides of this argument about the size of an official collegiate basketball, in fact quite a lot of money was bet.

On the ship we have a Wilson Official college grade basketball (measuring about 27.5 inches in circumference with the present air pressure) which is said by some to be too small to be official. The ball cost \$6.46 and it seems illogical that Wilson would produce such a ball that would not meet "official" qualifications. Could you please straighten us out with a little information?

After the war I plan to return to the hill to complete credits for my degree, and I look forward to the time when I can sit down and watch some Kansas grade basketball.

Respectfully yours,

Frank R. Schultheis
Frank R. Schultheis

Ensign, USNR

There's a New



At
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Announcing the Arrival
of **MICHAEL FORD**
on **DEC. 10, 1944**

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SEASON'S GREETINGS



Kilga) N.B. Junnevan

NEW GUINEA 1944

Merry Xmas and
Happy New Year

to you

all —————

Norman B. Souderman

New Guinea
Dec. 7, 1944

Dear Doctor:—

I'm almost ashamed for not writing but after twelve months over here in these jungles, I seem to do a poor job keeping up on my correspondence.

I have received one issue of the "re-bounds" and enjoyed it very much. It sure is a wonderful idea and I'm sure all the "Kausas" boys enjoy it.

Howard Angkema, now on a D.F., dropped in to see me one day and we had a wonderful time chatting over old times. I think he wrote you and sent some pictures, however, in case he didn't, I'm going to have some made up and send them on to you.

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You see, he brought his baseball
team over to play mine. Course,
I had to beat him but both
the men and "Rope" had a great
time. I don't know just where he
is now but he has a great ship
and has downed 6 subs. already.
He's still the great old "Rope" and
is well liked by all his men
and officers - he still has that
fighting spirit you taught him
and he makes a wonderful officer.
After I saw you that day
in Lawrence, I was commissioned as
Ensign in the Navy. I'm in the
Civil Engineering Corps and with the
"Sea Bees". Spent from May of 43
till Oct. 43, in Williamsburg Va. taking
training. From Va. I went to

Outpost Miss. ⁽³⁾ until Dec. 43. From
there I went to Port Moresby, Calif.
and shipped out to New Guinea
in Jan. 1944. I'm now in the
same place but will leave for
combat area in a few days.

I have been doing construction
work but find enough time to
help in Recreation. I have built
a nice Baseball Diamond and
installed lights so we can play
at night. As far as I know,
it is the only one in the Pacific.
I also have a Basketball court,
Volleyball court and "Aerial Dart" court.
It's too hot to play much Basketball
but now and then we play
enough to keep the old eye.
Enough for that. I'm hoping

(4)
to hear something soon about
the 44-45 Basketball team. I
do wish you a lot of luck
and win or lose, the boys will
get something they will profit
the rest of their life.

I am so sorry to hear
about T.P. Hunter as there never
was a better sportsman or fighter
in the world. I'm sure he went
down fighting and never gave up.
It's an awful thing we have to
sacrifice such great men to save
the country we are fighting for.
There are many who have gone
down for our country and I'm
sure the spirit they had will
live forever.

I see where "Bob" has taken
on a good girl (a Topeka girl)

of course) (5) and I'm sure they
will be happy. I believe Eleanor
is married also and to both
of them I wish all the luck
in the world.

Give Mrs. Allen my best
regards and I promise to
write much sooner next time.

If the "Jayhawk Rebounds"
comes out this year, I'd appreciate
being on the mailing list.

My address:

K.T. (Jg) N.B. Sanneman
Pontoon Assembly Det. #3
to F.P.O. San Francisco, Calif.

May God bless you all
and much luck this season.
What ever the score, I'm sure
you'll win—

PS. Merry Xmas &
Happy New Year—

Best Regards,
Norman Sanneman.