

Oh yes, before I left Norfolk about 3 weeks ago, I saw the Naval Training Station beat Fort Bragg by about 40 points. NTS had John Floyd, an Okla. A and M. boy in '37, '38, '39, playing for them. He's a Chief Specialist in athletics on the base. After the game, I had a nice long talk with him. He didn't remember me. Henry Dea's brother who used to coach at Olathe introduced him to me one night in K. C. when back in high school. He used to play high school ball against "Pop" Engleman and Bruce Moran in the Ark Valley; then he went to Okla. A and M. I told him about T. P.; and he like everyone else that ever knew T. P., couldn't hardly believe it. It's sure hell that a wonderful guy like T. P. had to go. He's the best guy I've ever known, and ever hope to meet.

John is trying to schedule the Aquila against a unit team on the base there for a preliminary game to one of theirs. If everything comes out alright, it will be the 27<sup>th</sup>; a day after we return to Norfolk. He's hoping the game is scheduled and we chalk up another victory. John said he saw Don Ebling while he was in Norfolk, and tried to get him to stay over and play but Don didn't care to do so.

Well, Doc, I reckon that'll be all for this time. Tell everyone "hello" for me and I wish all my friends on Mt. Arad a "Merry Xmas" and a "Happy New Year". Take it easy, and in the meantime, I'll be looking forward to receiving your next "Rebound".

Sincerely yours,  
Paul