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Dear Alan:

I enjoyed your epistle very much. I took it home and let Mit read it, and then Bobby came for his wedding to Jean McFarland, which occurred on April 26, and I made it a point to let him read it. He seemed to enjoy it very much.

Yes, Jean is a sister of Betty. Betty married Lieut. (j.g.) Penfield Kendall. Lieut. Kendall has been in the Southwest Pacific but is now docked with his flattop at San Francisco for repairs after having met some of the Jap hate which they threw at him. Betty and Lieut. Kendall have been living in Chicago where he was in business until the call of service came. I believe he is a southerner but I do not know where he met Betty. They have one little girl about five or six months of age.

Dick Edelblute did have quite a case but things never materialized. Dick is in the service. I saw him two years ago at a basketball game and he had just married a girl, I think, from Topeka. I believe they have one child, I am not sure.

Mit sends his greetings and best wishes. He is practicing law here in Lawrence, Kansas. After he came back from Ellinwood where he went from Russell with the Stanolind, he entered school and attended summers as well as the regular term and got his degree here a year ago. He finished in August and three days after that he went to work as assistant to the chief investigator of personnel at Hercules. He did very well there, indeed, financially and otherwise. But he being of the age - 29 - was terminated and was offered a commission both in the marines and in the navy, but was color blind to the spectrum test. So he has been practicing law here a couple of months waiting for his call, which may come not before July 1st now on account of the preferential emphasis upon the 26 and under age group.

He gets a big laugh out of the fact that I am secretary of the Selective Service board here. He said he knew when I got that job that he was surely in. It was a tough break that he was color blind, but just too bad.

Isabel and Mit have but the one child, Judy, who is six years of age and quite a golden-haired gal. She has all the coordination of Mit and Isabel so you know they are both kept pretty busy endeavoring to