Lt. Col. John H. Morris, T. C., Chief, Athletic Branch, Headquarters Army Service Forces, 25 West 43rd Street, New York 18, N.Y.

Dear Colonel Morris:

In reply to your favor of the 31st ultimo, I would like to report that not having had any communication from your office since November 28, from Major Bolte, I had presumed that your pool of available material was sufficient for your program at hand.

Therefore, I have taken on commitments here, such as Governor of Rotary International District #123, secretary of our County Selective Service Board, chairman of our local Civic Action Council. I am also councilman for the First Ward of our city, and have assumed the chairmanship of our University 7th War Loan drive, as well as other community war activities.

Therefore, under the circumstances, I will not be available.

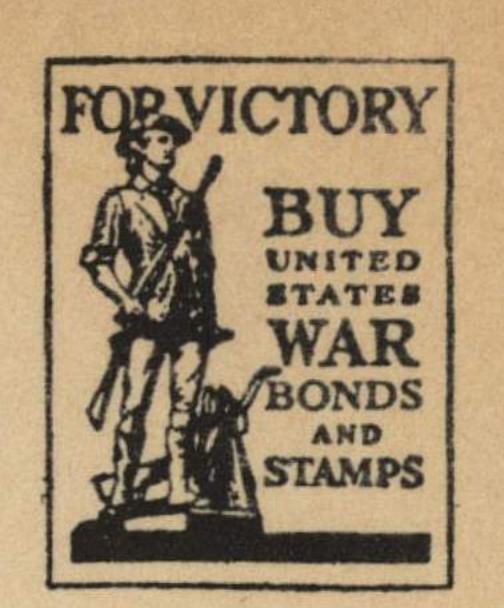
Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

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SPECIAL SERVICES DIVISION 25 West 43rd Street New York 18, N.Y.



In reply refer to

31 May 1945

Mr. Forrest C. Allen University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter to this Branch stating your availability, I would like to report that our athletic program for areas outside the Continental United States is progressing as planned. At this time, Colonel Clark is in an overseas theater of operations, surveying the general athletic program and we expect to hear from him shortly regarding the development of plans for activating new sports clinics.

As soon as we receive this definite information from Colonel Clark regarding the development of the program, you will be advised in detail. In the meantime, it will be appreciated if you will keep this office advised as to your availability, or of any change in your present address.

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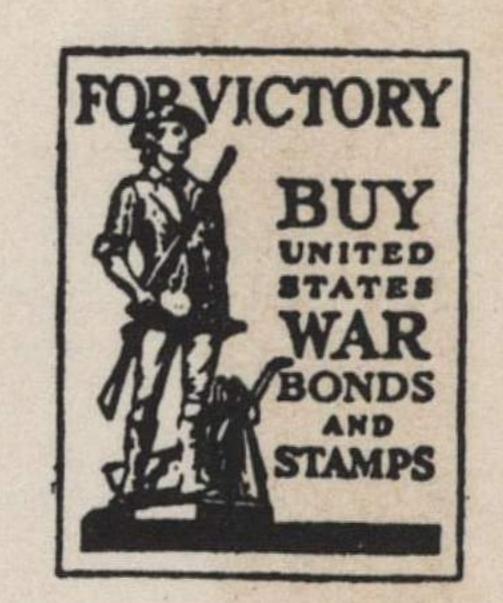
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In reply refer to

SPSPB 418 (16 Dec 44)

16 December 1944.

Mr. Forrest C. Allen,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen: -

Thank you very much for your response to our precautionary letter.

I fear that I will be unable to answer your questions until Colonel Henry W. Clark returns from overseas.

With my appreciation for your interest and desire to cooperate, I am

Yours very truly,

Captain, Infantry,

Acting Chief, Athletic Branch.

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Major Brown Bolte, T. C.,
Acting Chief, Athletic Branch,
Headquarters Army Service Forces,
25 West 43rd St.,
New York 18, N.Y.

Dear Major Bolte:

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Your general letter to civilian personnel on your contemplated O.A.P. program has been received. I assure you there is no danger of my releasing any publicity whatsoever.

I did write to Col. H. W. "Eskie" Clark and asked replies to specific questions, but received none. I am still awaiting that information.

Very sincerely yours,

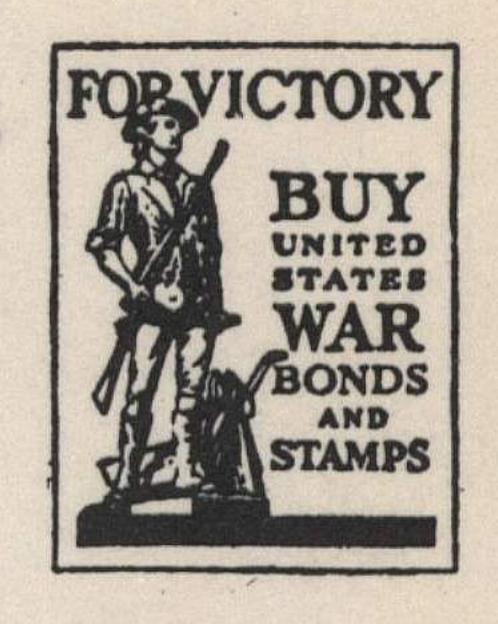
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SPSPB 418 (28 Nov 44)

28 November 1944.

Mr. Forrest C. Allen University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

The attention of this Headquarters has been directed to the fact that publicity has been released by civilian personnel we have queried regarding availability for employment in the contemplated Overseas Athletic Program.

To avoid embarrassment to you and to this Headquarters, may we remind you that all matters pertaining to this program are confidential in nature, and must be treated accordingly.

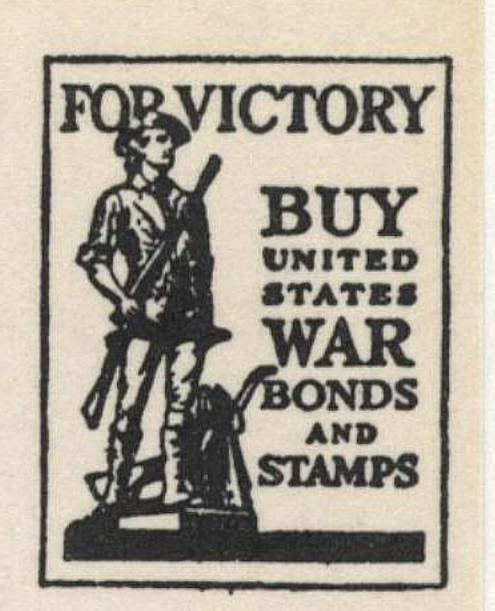
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Brown Bolte, Major, T.C.

Acting Chief, Athletic Branch



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Lt. Col. Henry W. Clark, G.S.C., Chief Athletic Branch, Headquarters Army Service Forces, 25 West 43rd St., New York 18, N.Y.

Dear Eskie:

Thanks for your good letter of the 12th.

Since I received your letter I have decided to stay through basketball season. I shall be very happy to be of any service if things can be worked out after our season is over.

With all good wishes in the grant effort you are making to do a real service to the boys over there, I am

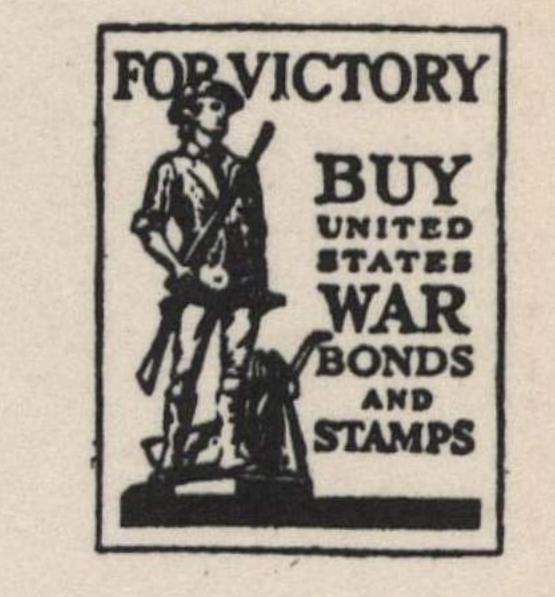
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Mr. Forrest C. Allen,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Phog:

The delay in V-Day means that we have changed our planning considerably. There is no immediate prospect of needing your services. I certainly would not want to have you break with your present position.

We have had excellent response from the various coaches and if V-Day continues to be delayed as much as it looks like at the moment, we would probably want to use the basketball coaches after their active seasons. Meanwhile, we may select a few who are immediately available to try out sample clinics in some of the theaters already inactive. We would not use men for this purpose who are actively engaged.

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Dear Eskie:

Thanks for your recent letter. I assure you there was no desire for a commission. I merely mentioned the fact that the Chancellor had brought up the point that he had only released men who had been offered commissions. Personally, I think there is a greater advantage without a commission in working with higher ranking officers than with one.

Now, I am writing you hoping that you can answer some of my questions directly.

I am working under no delusions, namely, that if I left without the permission of the Board of Regents and the Chancellor, I would not expect to return here. Therefore, it is necessary that I know some things. Considering all these factors, I am seriously considering the proposition of the Army Athletic Branch.

Would the fair compensation, mentioned in your wire, for the three months period be in line with the pro rata yearly salary of the civilian consultant?

The present date, October 9, would call for some clarifications of the situation soon to enable people to get ready by November 1. Are you still planning on November 1 as your starting date?

Are you satisfied with the responses from other contacts that you have made regarding recruiting of civilian consultants for overseas work, and has the progress of overseas forces delayed your starting date?

Won't you write me frankly giving me as much information as you can safely and confidentially give? I believe you can appreciate the situation of the other fellow who, although being very sympathetic, still needs more information. I will be glad to keep your added information confidential.

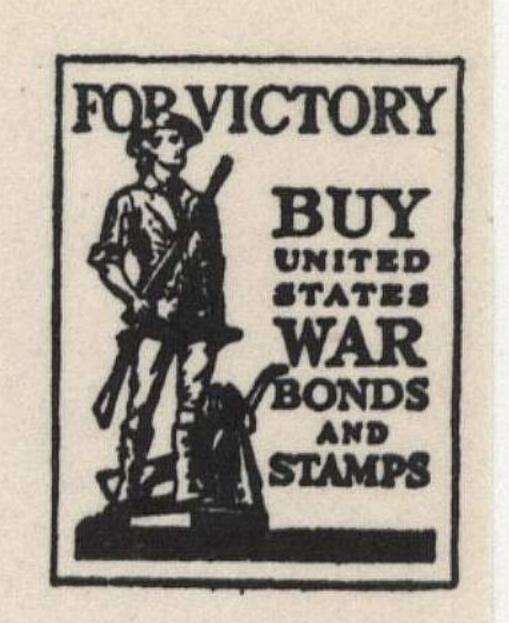
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In reply refer to 2 October 1944.

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Dr. F. C. Allen,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Phog:

Thank you for your letter of 28 September outlining frankly the position in which you find yourself.

There is no chance that we can secure a commission for you, as all commissions were frozen over a year ago. You are also correct in your supposition that we would probably not be able to use you as late as 1 March. However, we will try in every way to keep from requesting men to serve when it would interfere with their active season. How we are going to arrange this and still set our program up for V-Day is something we will have to figure out. Maybe we will have to give up basketball as one of our sports offerings, but it will entirely depend on when V-Day occurs.

May I suggest that under the circumstances you let matters ride as they are and if I secure a request it will be transmitted from this office to you and you can use it as ammunition for your talk with your Chancellor.

Meanwhile, we have used your name along with other coaches simply saying they will be available if needed. I do not see that this will interfere with your consideration by the Chancellor.

I will be glad to keep this confidential as you request.

Sincerely yours,

HENRY W. CLARK,

Lt. Col., G. S. C., Chief, Athletic Branch. Lt. Col. H. W. Clark, G.S.C., Chief, Athletic Branch, Headquarters Army Service Forces, Special Services Division, 25 West 43rd Street, New York 18, N.Y.

Dear Eskie:

I am sending you our monthly newsletter to our boys in the service. This is another one of the activities that I have been endeavoring to do in lieu of doing anything directly for them.

I would like to make a progress report. There are a group of professional and business men here in Lawrence, Kansas, that are quietly working on the chief in a way that I believe should the call come we will have no difficulty in accepting the proposition.

Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach. Lt. Col. Henry W. Clark, G.S.C., Chief, Athletic Branch, Headquarters Army Service Forces, 25 West 43rd Street, New York 18, N.Y.

Dear Colonel Clark:

I am now making a reciprocal request and at the same time I am making an explanation. I would please ask that you consider this letter entirely confidential.

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When your wire arrived I took the same to Ernie Quigley, our new Athletic Director, asking for permission to go. Ernie and I had a rather lengthy conference, but the implied reaction was that he would dislike to see me go at this time. However, he saw the situation and informed me that if possible he would endeavor to arrange matters quite satisfactorily if the call came through.

I endeavored to call you in Omaha inasmuch as your wire was datelined Omaha. I wanted a little more information, if possible, so that I could present it to the Chancellor. I found that you were in New York.

I had tried unsuccessfully a number of times to make an appointment with our Chancellor, Deane W. Malott. Finally, as my time was running out before the expiration of your deadline on the 25th, I called the Chancellor over the phone and read him your wire. As I suspected, he was not overly enthusiastic. He is a member of our Rotary Club and I asked if I could see him at the Rotary meeting, but he had other appointments. I sent the wire to you without getting an approval from the Chancellor, feeling that I wanted you to know that I was very anxious to serve.

I told the Chancellor at an Athletic Board meeting once that if I had an opportunity to get a commission that, while I would not seek one, I would certainly accept one if it were offered me.

On Tuesday morning, the 26th, I had an eppointment with the Chancellor and he was very adament that I had no right to send the wire that I did. I had consulted other people and they were very sure that the Chancellor would not fail to honor the request if it came through, but up to the present he had.

I have been very active in war work here, being secretary of the Selective Service Board, was chairman of the Douglas County Red Cross

War Fund drive last fall, chairman of our War Nursery Committee, and also serve as University chairman for all the various bond drives, as well as a number of other boards connected with the war effort. Having been in the first World War, but never having an opportunity to get across, I thought I might be of some service in your outfit, and for that reason I felt the request might be granted. I have a son in the Army Medical Corps and have helped with the war effort in every possible way.

The Chancellor stated to me that he had never released a civilian for the war effort, except when the men were offered commissions. The Chancellor is serving on the Army Aviation Committee and with other war industries and I thought he would see the parallel of this situation. His statement to me was that they are starting on a new athletic era, that the football team is going fairly good, and that they had no one to take my place for basketball. Ernie Quigley stated to me that it would be possible for him to secure a basketball coach. So there you are.

The Chancellor asked that a copy of your wire be left with his secretary, as well as a copy of my wire to you. He was going to take it up with the Board of Regents, but he doubted whether the Board would approve my going.

I felt in fairness to the whole situation that I should notify you of the exact status so that you would be in position to look at the overall picture.

You mention that our going depends entirely upon the wishes of the commanding general. I am wondering if there is any possible way that if the commanding general should express his wishes they might be conveyed to our chief. I certainly want to help the best way possible, and I do not feel that coaching a basketball team on home soil is the best way to do it.

The Chancellor countered by saying, "We will release you March I after basketball season is over." I told the Chancellor very definitely that the armed forces apparently knew pretty well when they wanted this personnel used over there and that March 1st would be too late. Do you not agree with me in this?

I shall regard anything that you might say to me entirely confidential, and will thank you for a reciprocal attitude.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.



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SPECIAL SERVICES DIVISION 25 West 43rd Street New York 18, N.Y.

In reply refer to

25 September 1944.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
University of Kansas,
Laurence, Kansas.

Dear Phog:

I was happy to get your wire and will certainly present your name overseas to help us carry out our intensive basketball coaching course after V-Day.

You understand that the chances of your going over depend entirely on the wishes of the commanding general, but names such as yours are bound to help secure the program and I know you would make a real contribution to the war.

Please keep the matter confidential until you hear further from us.

Sincerely yours,

Lt. Col., G. S. C., Chief, Athletic Branch. Télegrann - 19/23 -44 Nould feel housored to accept your offer if some is tendered

GOVERNMENT DAY LETTER Omaha, Nebraska.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen, University of Kansas.

Development of plan for Army Athletic Branch involves possibility of using consultants overseas. If request was secured for your services would you be available, for example, starting November 1, for 90 days service, all expenses, fair compensation included.

Regard inquiry as tentative and confidential. Wire reply on or before 25th of September.

Lt. Col. H. W. Clark, Chief, Athletic Branch, CITE 92124 - HWC KEN Special Services Division 25 West 43rd Street, New York

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LAWRENCE, KANSAS

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