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TO: Dr. Forrest C. Allen  
Dept. of Phys. Education  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas

SEE INSTRUCTION NO. 2

FROM

O-446252  
Lawrence E. Filkin, Maj. MC  
Co "D" 31st Med Bn  
APO 90 \* Boston  
New York, N.Y.

(Sender's complete address above)

Somewhere in England  
5 May 44

Dear Dr. Allen,  
Just received a Rebounds yesterday and have read it from cover to cover. Enjoyed it very much in spite of the fact that I know only a few of those mentioned. I guess after leaving school some eleven to fourteen years ago, my group of teammates have rather scattered to the four winds.

Your picture was in the Army paper "Stars and Strips" several days ago. I was going to clip the article and send it on to you but missed saving the paper. I'm sorry.

England is a very beautiful country and the people are very pleasant and hospitable. Basketball is not universally played here as far as I can find out, but at least people know what the game is. Bicycling seems to be the national sport, along with cricket and rugby. Bicycles are everywhere ridden by all ages. Quite a sight.

Thank you for the Rebounds and keep them coming.

Yours  
Lawrence E. Filkin

P.S. Please note change of address.

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~~Ensign~~ William Fitzgerald  
U.S.S. AMc71  
c/o Fleet Post Office  
New York, N. Y.



U.S.S. AMc71  
c/o Fleet Post Office  
New York, N. Y.  
May 12, 1944

Dear Doctor Allen,

It has been a long time, and I suppose it seems longer than it has really been, since I've heard from Lawrence or even been there. Don tells me I wouldn't know the place now, and that is bad news.

He's working for North American in Kansas City as a perspective engineer. He draws plans for B'25s, and likes it very much. Because of his osteomyelitis he is a long time 4-F. In fact, I doubt it they will ever take him.

I just got thru Midshipman's School at Abbott Hall in Chicago in March, and have pretty soft duty right now. However I don't believe this will last over another month or so--it's really more of a training period than anything else. Before that I got into a couple of invasions in the Mediterranean on a PC as an enlisted man.

My sister, Jean, has been out of school over a year now, and has been working in Kansas City and Topeka. She was grinding radio crystals in Kansas City for a year--and was averaging about 12 hours a day 7 days a week until we finally talked her out of it because of what it was doing to her eyes and nerves. She is working on the Topeka Capital right now.

She has to go to school this coming year or I'm afraid she'll never make it, and Don and I can both help her get by. We both had a lot of help ourselves when we were going to school, but she wouldn't consider it unless she was working part of her way right now anyway. She is a good typist, and a very conscientious worker, and I thought that maybe you could tell me someone she might see or send an application to.

Just on the outside chance that you might know of something, and she should apply immediately her address is 317 West 13th, Topeka, Kansas. I would certainly appreciate any tips or advice. She has been considering Washburn, but neither Don or I can see that, and I know she would much rather go to K. U. if it were possible.

The other junior officer on the ship is Bob Hayes, who played for Iowa State until a bum knee put him out his last year. I told him he should have had you work on it. I remember you had quite a number of Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma athletes taped and glued together while I was in school.



I got to see the N.C.A.A. finals in Kansas City with Don right after I got out of Abbott Hall, and was certainly surprised to read later that Utah had taken the mythical national championship.

I hope that Bob and Mit are in something they like, and that you and your family are well. I'll be glad when I can watch Kansas winning Big Six championships again...in civilian clothes. Remember me to Miss Webster if she is still in the office.

Sincerely,

Bill Fitzgerald  
Bill Fitzgerald



June 7, 1944.

Mr. R. T. Fairchild, N.M. 3/c,  
USS Wharton,  
Fleet Postoffice,  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Bob:

We were happy to have your letter of May 30th  
and to know that you like the Jayhawk Rebounds. We will  
get another out pretty soon and will send it to you.

Mrs. Allen read your letter and asked to be re-  
membered to you. You are always welcome and we would like  
to have you as our guest if and when you get back through  
Kansas.

With best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



Dear Dr. & Mrs. Allen.

May 30, 1944

yes, it's really me. I should have written you folks long ago but, - well, - I don't even have a good excuse.

Dr. Allen, I want you to know I have been getting your little paper every month and although I not a "Kansas Alumni" I enjoy every bit of it. Kansas University is my favorite college and I shall follow it's athletic record the rest of my days.

After reading the paper it is passed on to some of the other fellows who were there with me. So from all of us Thank you.

How is everything going with you, Mrs. Allen? I suppose you are being kept real busy these days?

I am getting along just swell. And am looking forward to my little vacation trip after the war. which will be through Kansas.

If you have a minute drop me a line. I would enjoy hearing from you very much.

Your friend always,

R. T. FAIRCHILD M.M.V.  
H. Div.

Bob



June 7, 1944.

Mr. Norman Fordyce, A/S,  
Company 1259,  
Naval Training Station,  
Great Lakes, Illinois.

Dear Norman:

I am happy to know that you are located at Great Lakes, and hope that you will get the Specialists "A" rating for which you are so well qualified.

Ray Evans is in O.C.S. at Miami, and we shall be glad to let him know where you are.

With best wishes for your success, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH





UNITED STATES NAVY

June 3rd 1944 - 4:30 P.M.  
Norman Forelyce A.S.  
Great Lakes Ill  
Naval Training Station  
Company 1259

Dear "Phog":-

This is the first <sup>chance</sup> I have had to write and thank you for that swell letter, I really appreciated it.

By the way I ended up at Great Lakes much to my surprise, I thought sure that I was going to Texas.

I don't know what my possibilities here for a "Specialists" A" - I imagine it will be a lot tougher, it seems all the good athletes in the country are up here, so I don't know if I have a chance or not. But I do know that your letter will help more than anything else I have to offer and I really want to thank you again

Sincerely  
Norman Forelyce

P.S. I wrote this standing so you might have to read it side ways.

EVANS  
Tell Ray where I am if you hear from him.



May 30, 1944.

Mr. Norman Fordyce,  
1918 Wood Avenue,  
Kansas City 2, Kansas.

Dear Norman:

I am very happy to write a testimonial for you.  
Congratulations to you for volunteering for the Navy. If  
there is any way that I can help you obtain this Specialists  
rating I will be happy.

I will tell Milton what you are doing.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Enc.



May 30, 1944.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very happy to commend for your consideration Norman Fordyce, of 1918 Wood Avenue, Kansas City 2, Kansas. I have known Norman Fordyce for quite a great many years and have found him always to be an outstanding athlete and a splendid gentleman. He has competed with and against many of my outstanding players and I have always found him a high class competitor, aggressive, purposeful, and at all times showing a high degree of sportsmanship.

Fordyce competed for Wyandotte High School in Kansas City, Kansas, and was on some of Coach Percy Parks' outstanding teams in 1930, 1931 and 1932. He was selected as All-State and captain in 1932. He played college ball for Rockhurst College and independent ball for the Stage Lines, which was one of the outstanding independent teams, in 1935 and 1936. His knowledge of athletics is not of the mere accidental type but is founded upon experience and study.

He bears an excellent reputation in his community and has the ability to command men as well as to inspire them.

I am happy to recommend Norman Fordyce without reservation or evasion.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



1918 Wood Avenue  
Kansas City, Kansas

Mr. F. C. Allen  
8th & Louisiana  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

I don't know whether you remember me, but I met you once through Tom Van Cleave, Jr., and a couple of times through Ray Evans. I played basketball for Percy Parks in 1930, 1931 and 1932, and was All-State and Captain in 1932.

You probably remember one of our games when we won the league championship from Topeka. You and Bo McMillin were referees. You called an out of bounds play just as the game ended, but Topeka didn't hear the whistle and completed the play for a goal. You called the play and we won, 21-19.

I have volunteered for the Navy, and would like to get a Specialist's rating in Athletics. A letter from you would help a great deal. I leave June 2nd.

I played forward with the Stage Line "B" in 1935-6 with Tom Bishop. I played with your son, Milt, in Kansas City about four years ago, and also when he was in Lawrence High School. I think he will remember me. Some more of your boys were on that team: Roy Holliday, Ray Ebling and Bill Kiley. It was a Y.M.C.A. tournament. Tom Van Cleave entered us.

I was married while still in High School, and had to get my college at Kansas City Junior College and Rockhurst at night.

Any help you can give me will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Norman Fordyce  
1918 Wood Avenue  
Kansas City 2, Kansas



R. W. Farris Phm<sup>3</sup>/<sub>2</sub>  
Dental Disp ~~32~~. Waldron  
U.S.N.T.S. Farragut, Idaho



21 March - 1944.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen.  
Kansas University  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I am very sorry to have been so long writing you to thank you for your very fine letter. It means a lot to have friends who will do things like this for one. I don't know how far I will get this time but at least I am still trying. I have gotten thru the Procurement office here and all I have left is for the Comindant to sign my papers and then they go to Washington. I think I will get to see the Captain some time this week or next. This is done by appointment from the Procurement. I have gotten this far only by being persistent as they have called 3 strikes on me several times but so far I have always been able to come to bat again. I find it hard to do in this man's name. They tell you a lot about chain of command and that you must never go over another officer's head, but I have found that this is not always the case. If I had ~~that~~ held fast to this rule I would never have gotten very far. I guess by this means they try to discourage as many as possible. Anyway so far I have refused to take no for an answer.



By this time your Basket Ball season must be over I haven't heard a lot about it but anything would be good these days, as I doubt if you have very much to work with.

I certainly do enjoy your Jayhawk Rebounds as I am interested in knowing what all the boys are doing.

Well I guess I better close and get to work  
The Best of everything to you and yours.

Richard W. Farris.



April 8, 1944.

Mr. E. A. Fitzgerald,  
Superintendent of Schools,  
Ellis, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Fitzgerald:

I talked to George Dick a number of times regarding the letter that you wrote concerning him. I now learn George has written you that he is not interested because he plans to stay here at the University and work on his Master's degree.

I know of no other young man with the qualifications who is open at the present time. Certainly if I do I shall be glad to pass this information on to you at once.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



Dr. Allen -

George Dick wrote Mr. Fitzgerald this past week that he was not interested in this job because he plans to stay here and do work on his Master's degree.



# ELLIS SCHOOLS

E. A. FITZGERALD, Superintendent



ELLIS, KANSAS

February 14, 1944

Dr. Forest C. Allen  
Director of Physical Education  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

I was very much pleased to get your letter mentioning Mr. George Dick as a possibility for the physical education job here. Will you please ask him to write me concerning his major and minor fields and general qualifications. Also we would like him to state the salary he would expect.

What we want in this position is a man with the enthusiasm and the ability to head a physical education program including athletics which will bring about the proper physical development and foster good attitudes on the part of the boys. We hope to have a continuous program beginning at about the fifth grade level and continuing on up through the high school. Winning teams are not the primary consideration but I believe we have material that could be developed in due time. If the physical education instructor could also handle one other class it would help our schedule. The subject might be arranged to fit his majors and minors.

My idea in asking him to state the salary he would think fair is to give us a basis for agreement, so that he will feel that the job here is comparable to others that might develop later in the season.

We appreciate your efforts in our behalf.

Very truly yours,

E. A. Fitzgerald  
Superintendent

EAF:lr



March 24, 1944.

Mr. Henry Frnka,  
Athletic Director and Head Coach,  
University of Tulsa,  
Tulsa 4, Oklahoma.

Dear Henry:

Thank you for your good letter of the 23rd instant. I wonder if you would be kind enough to send me Dean Lukken's initials. I will be glad to write him and tell him that I would be happy to show his Sonny every courtesy that the University of Kansas could offer him if we are fortunate to have him in our V-12 outfit. I also appreciate your kindness in suggesting my name to Dean Lukken.

I showed your letter to Henry Shenk and after he read it I noted his physiognomy pretty carefully and seemed to detect a calorific constriction, meaning that he was more pale after reading your letter than he was before he read it. Frankly, I think he believes you have swarms of them down there. You wouldn't kid my friend, Henry Shenk, would you, Henry?

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

PCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



THE UNIVERSITY OF TULSA  
TULSA 4, OKLAHOMA

ATHLETIC DEPT.

March 23, 1944

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

I can't tell you how much I enjoyed my visit with you and it was so refreshing to visit with someone that is so enthusiastic about sports, you certainly have my outlook on the whole picture.

I want to thank you for the material you sent me. I have consulted with our team physician and he felt like you were on the right track. I know this will be quite helpful to us.

The outstanding basketball player in the state tournament this year was Sonny Lukken, son of Dean Lukken here at the University. The boy will be 18 and is applying for V-12. Sonny lives basketball and his father is a close friend of mine, is a member of my athletic committee. He is anxious to have him under an outstanding basketball coach and I suggested you. The boy is naming KU as his first preference. I certainly hope that it works out so that he comes to you. He is an outstanding student and honestly, he was marvelous on that court. I know he will be a joy to you should he come to Kansas. If you care to, you might drop Dean Lukken a line, I think it would be permissible.

I haven't heard definitely from Mr. Klooz but you tell Henry that we will not be as strong as he thinks we will and I am sure it will be a good game.

Kindly remember me to members of your staff there. With best wishes and kindest personal regards, I am

Friendly yours,

*Henry Frnka*  
Henry Frnka  
Athletic Director and  
Head Coach

HF:mr



Dr. F. C. Allen

Dear Phog:

It seems that I failed you on the cartoonist business. The only suitable person I could find was tied up with previous commitments and an overload of school work. I could not offer to do it myself because of my very complicated affairs at the moment.

I'm sorry - I hope no great harm is done.

Your secretary mentioned a design for a Red Cross banner but I received no details except that it is to reach across Mass. St. I. From whom may I get further details?

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Frazier", written over the typed name.

Bernard Frazier



**H**ERE'S a bird's eye view of Gonzaga University's famous obstacle course, the Sammy Grashio Victory Course. It honors one of Gonzaga's war heroes, Lieutenant Sammy Grashio of the Army Air Corps, now a Japanese prisoner of war in the Philippines.

Considered one of the toughest and most rugged courses in the country, still it is not necessarily a dangerous one. It is recognized as basic in the physical training of Gonzaga's nearly 500 V-5 Naval Air Cadets and V-12 Reserves. Undoubtedly, it is one of the best of body builders. Compact, complete, interesting, it affords vigorous exercise and a definite challenge to any young man. Its 470 yards embraces 28 obstacles (several set in concrete) and is designed to test the individual's every muscle as well as his stamina, strength, agility and muscular coordination. All construction was done with stripped cedar logs and finished with a double Old English oil application. Four minutes is good time for the course.

Gonzaga University is deeply indebted to the Early Birds Breakfast Club of Spokane for their generous gesture in meeting the entire construction expenses of the course and to Lieutenant-Colonel Warren Williams, former Commander of Spokane's Fort George Wright, for his valuable assistance in its construction. Gonzaga's athletic director, Arthur Dussault, S. J., designed and supervised the work.



# *Phog Allen, Kansas Mentor, Blasts Eastern Cage Teams*

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 9—Dr. Forrest C. "Phog" Allen, Kansas University basketball coach, indulged in his favorite pastime of knocking Eastern basketball in general and officiating in particular in an interview with the United Press here yesterday.

"Every year some of our teams have gone out there and played those boys on their own courts with their own officials and we've beaten them repeatedly, but this half-baked lot today still don't realize it," was Allen's opening shot for 1944 at Eastern basketball.

"The officials let the game degenerate into a rough house brawl. Anything goes. Here they keep the game clean and won't put up with all that body contact business."

Dr. Allen also deplored the narrow out-of-bounds space surrounding the Eastern courts. "But even at that, with their courts and their officials, we beat 'em."

Allen said he would be willing to pay Eastern teams the same money as Madison Square Garden to come West and play for charity. "What's more, I will



**Phog Allen**

let them bring one of their own officials along. That's more than we ever got out of the East."



R. W. Farris Pharm<sup>3k</sup>

A.P.A. Pre Comm Sch.

A.P.A. \*197 U.S. N. S.

Seattle 99. Wash.



8-19-14

Dr. Forrest C Allen

Kansa. Univ.

Dear Sir.

I have just received your last Rebounds and thought I should drop you a line, You sure have a lot of energy in getting this out and it sure means a lot. I look forward to them a lot. I only hope I will be able to get them after I go to sea.

I was quite surprised but pleased to learn of Quincy being made Director of Arb. at Kansas. I am sure he will be a fine man for the job.

As you notice I have been moved I came over here about 3 weeks ago to get a ship. And as usual I will have to wait for it. It isn't ready



as yet and we don't know when it  
will be. Anyway we are waiting here  
with a lot of others. From the looks of  
things here we are going to be a large  
force of transports.

Well this is about all I know for  
now so will close and get to work.  
Again Thanks for everything.

P.W. Farris.



France  
23 Aug 44

Dear Dr. Allen,

Rebonds #10 arrived  
yesterday. Thank you.  
I continue to enjoy  
the ~~Rebonds~~ greatly.

I saw Paul Harrington  
about a month or six-  
weeks ago. He was hale  
and hearty and glad to  
see a different face  
from home. He's still  
in the same outfit  
and doing well. Along  
with Paul were a  
number of my old class-  
mates from Medical  
School and, some old  
internes and profs. It



was like old home  
week.

We've been moving  
along so fast lately  
that I doubt if Paul's  
outfit will be able to  
stay very close to us.

On our mad rush,  
we've seen several out-  
door basketball courts  
in this section of France.  
Don't know how much  
they play however, because  
when we pass there is  
more important business  
at hand at the moment.

Received a clipping from  
Mother about W. E. Quigley.  
He should be an  
additional drawing point



for fine athletes to the  
University. I can't recall  
if I ever had the question-  
able pleasure of being  
slapped by him after  
making a foul but I  
do recall almost being  
downed for the count  
by him when I was  
ready to throw a free  
throw. Anyway, may  
fortune be with the  
University with "Quig"  
as Director, and best  
of luck to him.

Keep the rebounds  
coming.

Sincerely  
Lawrence E. Filkin