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Mr. Jack Ballard
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Dear "Jocco":

Congratulations, Old Fellow. I'm certainly happy to know that you are in the land o' the living and have as much of the old Texas pepper stored up in you as you had when you were the Galloping Galahad on Mt. Oread.

I'm sorry that I missed you when you came through Lawrence and took a plunge at the Jawhawk Dip. I bet you were out on one of those Rushing Jaunts that all Gleeeful Greeks indulge in at this time of the year. Vance Hall, one of those aforementioned Greeks, just came through this morning to say "hello". He was on a similar quest and Kansas City was his goal. So look out, you Sig Alph's and Beta's. Do not corner your Rushees and tear them from limb to limb.

You and Vance Hall have similar ideas in mind. Vance is going to Canada the latter part of August and you to Rochester; both cool spots and lovely places to go. Rochester is the Fashion Center of the United States. Maybe you are going up there to learn just how the cut-a-way should be cut away. Those loud socks I wear were purchased in Rochester, New York. I have a great many friends at the Eastman Kodak Company in Rochester and one of my good friends bought those socks for me. That picture that you saw, "Basketball Fundamentals" was shot by the Eastman Kodak people. By the way, when you are in Rochester, look up Jim Arnold. He is with the Eastman Kodak Company people there. I know he would be glad to see you.

My school is out August 6th and when it is over, I expect to run up to Kansas City, and if you have not left for Rochester, you can count on me stopping by for greetings with you and your dad. I'm glad that you are going to bear down on your books. Jack, it's more important than young men think and I'm pleased that you realize it.

I'm writing a squad letter to our basketball eligibles for next year. This letter will go out in a few days or certainly within a week and of course you are very definitely on the most important mailing list that will be in my possession. Until I see you, the best wishes to you and your fine family.

Sincerely,

Director of Physical Education-Varsity
Basketball and Baseball Coach.

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