

April 4, 1944.

Mr. E. B. Black,
Black & Veatch, Engineers,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Mr. Black:

I do want you to know how much I appreciate your taking the time to write me a letter from Fairbanks and to enclose the fine basketball program of the first Alaska-Canadian Army Invitational Basketball Tournament.

It just shows us how basketball has spread to all corners of the globe. Certainly Dr. Naismith made a wonderful contribution to youth when he originated this game back in 1891.

I appreciate your sending this to me and I am passing your program around to interested and inquiring persons.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Nordale Hotel

Fairbanks, Alaska

March 10, 1944



Dear Doctor Allen:-

It was my good fortune to attend the first three days of play in the first Alaska-Canadian Army Invitational Basketball Tournament, and we saw a breathtaking brand of basketball it would be very difficult to equal in the Big Six or Big Ten schedules.

I know that you know a lot of these players, and the tournament program is attached for your information and record. The games were played in the Fairbanks gymnasium, which has a more modern and efficient basketball score board than the one in Convention Hall at Kansas City.

This is my first experience in Alaska-I'm having a fine time-but expect to take off for the return trip to Kansas City about tuesday, and will likely have to come 'in' again in May.

Sincere regards

E. B. Black

PS-the winners of the tournament-for Canada-were US Army Engineers- a good illustration of how North America is sticking together under our present World Wide misunderstandings.

EBB

April 4, 1944.

Miss Mildred Beecher,
301 Harrison,
Newton, Kansas.

Dear Miss Beecher:

I am sending you a rough sketch of the foot arch normalizer. It may be that you cannot get a gear and ratchet for the normalizer, so it might be altogether thinkable that you could put an iron peg in the end something like the lawn mower roller operates. I trust the sketch and description will enable you to make one since you saw it yourself when you were here.

About the only knee brace that I know is the elastic knee brace. I imagine you would be able to get those at a physicians' supply company. I am sure that if you could get some treatments for the knee you would be able to get much more relief than depending upon a brace. There is an interference with the nerve supply from the sacro-iliac sprain, and unless you remove that difficulty you will always have trouble. Therefore, the treatments would be more efficacious.

If you should ever happen through Lawrence I would be glad to fix it for you. If I can help you further, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Newton Kansas

March 30, 1944

Dr. J. C. Allen:
Lawrence Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

When we worked on the Foot Normalizer last summer you said the normalizer could be made in the manual training department. I have gotten permission to have one made so would you please give me the details in that regard.

In regard to my knee I'm having trouble especially when I participate in games. and was wondering if you would think it wise to get a brace and if so what kind.

Thanking you very much.

Medford Beecher

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2135 New Hampshire
Lawrence, Kansas
March 18, 1944

Dr. F. C. Allen
801 Louisiana St.
Lawrence, Kansas

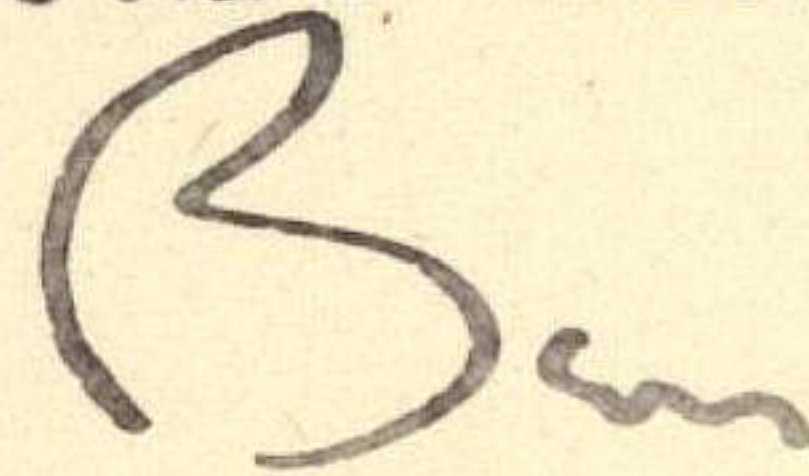
Dear Dr. Allen:

It is a pleasure to inform you that I have been commissioned as an Ensign in the Supply Corps, U. S. N. R., and will report for active duty on March 27.

I know that my splendid list of references was largely responsible for my good fortune. Since you were one of these references I wish to express my gratitude for your indulgence and kind favors.

You can be certain that I will do my utmost to uphold the confidence which has been vested in me, and I know that you men will help to keep Lawrence such a nice place in which to live.

Yours sincerely,



Ben Barteldes

March 28, 1944.

Mrs. C. C. Brown,
2233 East 23rd St.,
Tulsa 5, Oklahoma.

Dear Mrs. Brown:

Thank you for your letter and check for \$4.00.
I am very happy to autograph a copy of "Better Basket-
ball" and send it to you postpaid. I trust that your
son will enjoy the book.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Tulsa - Oklahoma.
March 24 - 1944

Forest C Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen.

am enclosing check for
four dollars for the book - Better -
Basketball. for which Carl will be
very happy to have one autographed
by you. he is now assistant di-
rector of Physical Education at the
Harace Mann Junior High here in
Tulsa, and doing his senior work
at T.U.

Sincerely yours

Mrs C. C. Brown
2233 - East 23rd St.,
Tulsa - 5 - Oklahoma.

for

Carl - Palen Brown.

March 17, 1944.

Mr. William Bruckner,
c/o Bruckner's,
Emporia, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Bruckner:

The other night I spoke to Rev. Claude G. Large's
Countryside Christian Church. He told me that you had
a size ten, tan pair of pararubber overshoes. He states
that he stopped in for a pair of black ones but you had
only the tan.

I desire a pair of the tan ones. If you still have
them in stock, will you kindly mail them to me? I would
be very happy to get them.

I am enclosing the card from Rev. Large. He seemed
to be very fond of you.

Very sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

March 20, 1944.

Ensign A. M. Brown,
Naval Air Station,
Hutchinson, Kansas.

Dear Murray:

I have neglected answering your good letter of the 21st ultimo. I am not going to have much time to write this morning, but just want you to know that we haven't forgotten you.

Sorry we missed you and Lucy when you were here. I understand how limited your time is when you are off on leave.

Bobby is getting married sometime the latter part of April. So Mrs. Allen and the rest of the family are getting terribly busy. However, Bob hasn't definitely got his leave assured, so I imagine he still may be somewhat uneasy. He is marrying Jean McFarland in Topeka.

I will try to answer the rest of your good letter through the next Rebounds which should be coming off the typewriter pretty soon.

With all good wishes and best of success to you and Lucy,
I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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NAVAL AIR STATION
HUTCHINSON, KANSAS

February 21, 1944

Dear Doc:

Here's a quick rebound to your "Jayhawk Rebounds". That "newswy" report of all your loyal friends and fellow followers of Kansas is certainly a better tonic than any thing I've had yet. In other words it hits the spot. From the looks of the various addresses on it, our Jayhawk alumni have covered the earth, no telling just where they definitely are when they get off good ole U.S.. but you can bet wherever they are they are doing a bang-up job because they had a bang-up teacher and coach. No foolin Doc, I realize that more every day I'm in the Navy and especially so in the last two weeks.

Lucy and I were thru Lawrence and

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HUTCHINSON, KANSAS

tried to see you. Since we were forced to hurry we could not wait until you arrived on the hill, and I ^{had} called your home but to no avail, so we will try again in the immediate future. A lot of things have happened and are happening that will be of interest to talk to you about.

I'm a fortunate fellow indeed to get to come back to Kansas, however, I think it will be but a short stay. This air station is being changed and in the changing I'll more than likely get sent to another base.

It was a happy reunion to get back so near Lucy's parents and my father. We had a grand get together in K.C. my one night there. We are planning on trying to get up soon ~~soon~~, so don't be surprised should I walk in on

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you some Saturday or Sunday soon.

Lt. Pfitsch still seems to have that jumpy spirit and "fight-em" attitude in spite of that damp weather. He's a great boy "Doc" and you'll be mighty proud of him and other Kansans before this conflict is over.

Give my very best to Mrs. Allen and Isabel + "Mit" and Judy. Also, Don pulling with you against Iowa State and Mizzou. Here's hoping I can see one of those ball games.

Sincerely,

Murray Brown

P.S. 1. Say "Hi" to Dean + Leslie Wallace for me, too.
2. It certainly was a thrill to me to beat A + M and Iba. I haven't forgotten that last game you played him.

BRUCKNER'S

Shop For Men
EMPORIA, KANSAS

March 20th, 1944

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

Dear Mr. Allen:

This is to acknowledge and thank you for your letter of March 17th.

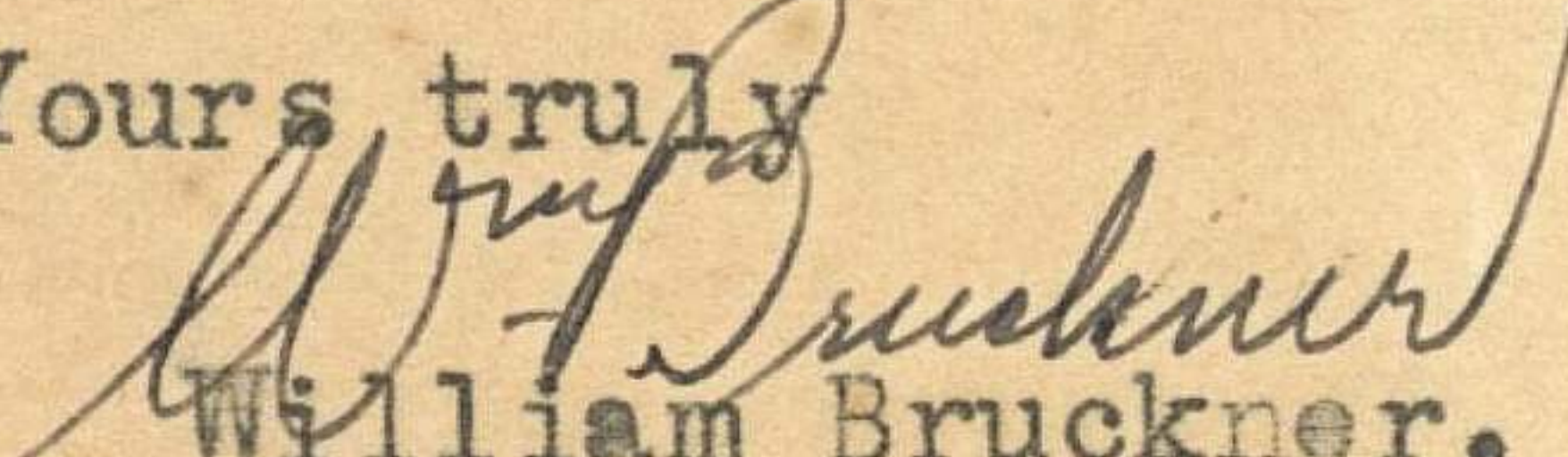
I am very sorry Mr. Allen, but we do not now have the Pararubber overshoe in either brown or black in size 10.

We no doubt had these when Rev. Large was here, but the past few days of bad weather has taken our stock down considerable.

I would like to be able to tell you I might be able to furnish them to you at a later date, but I have no choice as you know this type of overshoe is not being manufactured and won't be for the duration.

I appreciate your writing me and trust I may have the pleasure of serving you some time in the future.

Yours truly


William Bruckner.

25 March 1944

Dear Doc:

Many thanks for your note and the Jayhawk Rebounds. I had heard you were publishing the monthly letter, but it was the first copy that had come my way. I have scanned it for names and find it most interesting. I'll have to settle down and go over it thoroughly.

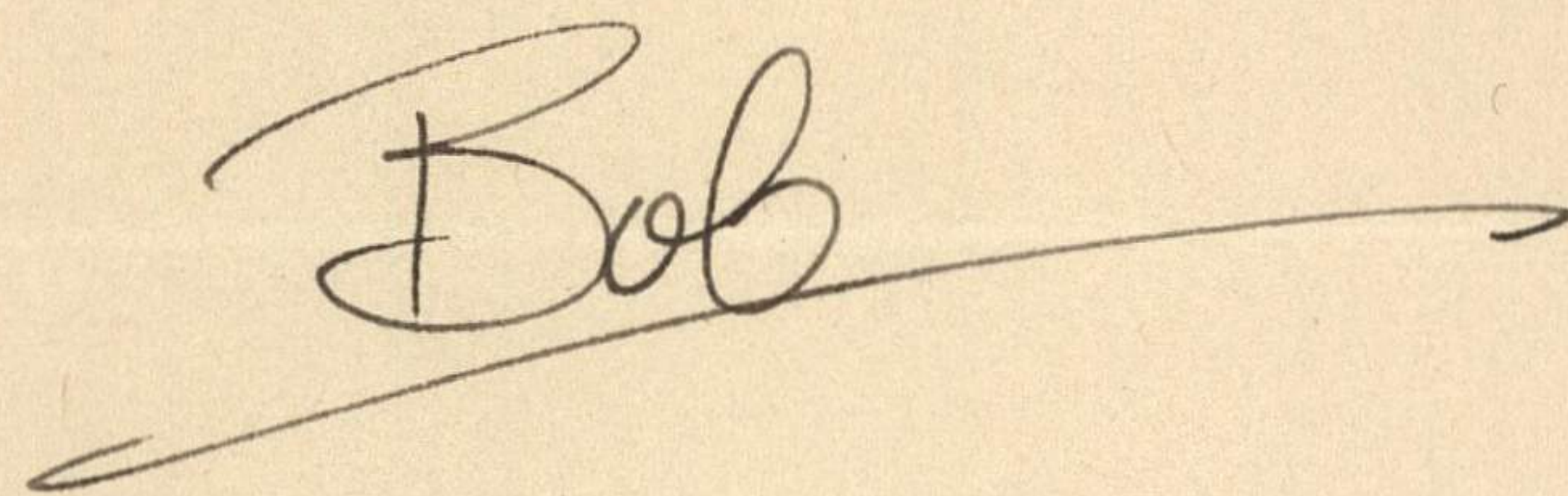
The morning paper here happened to carry a story on the Iowa State and Utah victories last night in the tourney at K.C. I'm pulling for Louis and the Cys.

I haven't seen anything about Dean Nesmith lately. If he's still around give him my regards. I wrote him a card once during football season but he was probably too busy to answer.

I have a 6-month subscription to the Journal-World and so manage to keep abreast the local news. The STAR sends a weekly news summary and also a monthly office gossip sheet. Both are very interesting.

Best regards.

Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bob". The signature is written in dark ink and has a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the name.

P.S.--- Hello, Mrs. Hulteen.

March 21, 1944.

Cpl. Robert J. Busby,
Box 8813 University Station,
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Bob:

Thanks for sending the clipping as of January 31. I believe they have misspelled this misnomer more than any other name that I can think of.

I am sending you a Jayhawk Rebounds, an epistle that I send the boys each month. Doubtless some of these names will be familiar to you.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

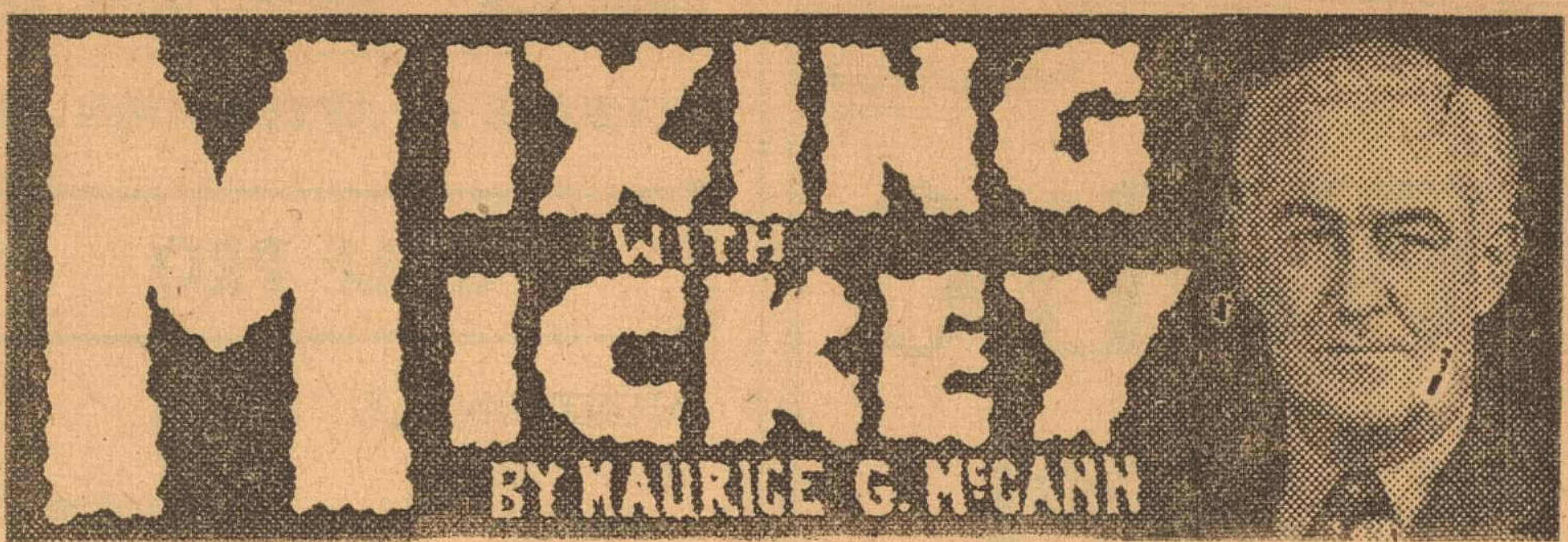
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Varsity Basketball Coach.

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POG ALLEN HAS HIS SAY

Pog Allen, a man of a few well chosen words when asked for an opinion on almost any subject, cut loose the other day with a blast at coaches who are attempting to convince some 4-F's and some high school lads under 18 that they should attend a certain university.

The veteran Kansas basketball coach thinks it's time for intercollegiate athletics to have a high commissioner, a Judge Landis, to keep the colleges in line. He said the colleges were "breaking the rules like Hitler did the Versailles treaty."

Now that's pretty strong language, just about as strong as you can speak. And he was only warming to his subject. He went on to state that the "pseudo patriotism of some of these so-called big time coaches in both basketball and football is astounding.

"These fellows are traveling over the country now, signing up all likely 4-F boys with athletic potentialities. They are indulging in frantic flag waving while posing as developers of young men, aiding the war effort through physical conditioning programs of athletic games.

"No one need be fooled by their tactics," Pog continued. "They are playing for huge financial stakes. Bowl games and tournament money is the lure."

Allen doesn't aim fire at any one or two men although I have an idea that he's blasting at some few men in particular. One of them probably is Henry Frnka, Tulsa's football coach.

Although the Southeastern conference had two of its four teams, Georgia Tech and LSU, in Bowl football games I don't think Allen is sharpshooting at the SEC. Tech got its strength from Navy aid while LSU has Steve Van Buren, a deferred engineering student, and a flock of 17-year-olds.

And besides there's no law against any SEC from offering athletic scholarship to 4-F's and youngsters under the draft age. If these practices were okay in peace-time I think they are at least equally good in war-time.

The politicians all speak of what they intended to do for our returning veterans. What's wrong when the athletic department of some school looks up a young man discharged from the services and offers him aid in getting a college education? Nothing that I can see provided it does not violate a conference or school rule.

Frnka over-did a good thing last year scouring the country for 4-F's and coming up with a total of 24, some of whom whose eligibility was questionable. Frankly I was disappointed when the Sugar Bowl people saw fit to invite a team of that sort to its January one attraction especially after they ran up such a one-sided score against Arkansas in their finale in the hopes of clinching a Bowl invite.

If loquacious Pog is shooting at the Tulsa coach he can save his fire because Frnka is having his headaches without aid from the Kansas cage mentor. Some of his opponents didn't like the idea of playing a team like he fielded last fall and they don't intend to play his this season.

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31 Jan. 1944

Dear Dr. Allen:

Inclosed a clip from the Baton Rouge State-Times of this date. I pass it along not for its text, but for the consistent misspelling of your nickname.

Best regards,

Bob Dudley

Best luck for the season in progress.



WM. C. BRUNK INSURANCE AGENCY

127 EAST SECOND STREET
OTTUMWA, IOWA

February 22, 1944

Mr. P. Allen, Athletic Director,
Kansas University,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:

Mr. Glenn Cunningham is to be our principal speaker at a Father and Son banquet to be given at the First Methodist Church on April 13th.

I am in charge of this meeting and it will be my pleasure to introduce Mr. Cunningham at our banquet. In this connection I would like to have any personal information about Mr. Cunningham that you can give me for use in this introduction.

Your kind co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Yours very truly,

W. C. Brunk

WCB ML



March 30, 1944

Dear Dr. Allen,

I have the day off - yes, the army gave me a "holiday" so I will catch up on my correspondence.

The reason for said "holiday" is that I just had an impacted wisdom tooth extracted.

I believe my father is better even if he does still have a terrific time of it. Mother actually thought he was "on the way out" a couple days ago, but when after two enemas he was unable even to expel water and was under such pain that his nerves were about to crack, she still could not write too encouraging. He is bloated and of course is very weak after five weeks of it.

I like the army fine. Fellows are swell, meals are good; in fact I don't believe I had complained - really complained - until they ^(before) jerked out a perfectly good wisdom tooth. I should never had a decay in any tooth and their argument that w. t. not grown through were easily infected, ^{and should be removed} seemed about as plausible as saying that everyone should have their appendix cut out so that there would be no danger of infection in time of battle. But the army knows what it's doing!

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I liked Ft. Leavenworth fine. Talked to
Sgt. Alden Tubby. Heard Percy Grainger concert.
I'm somewhat of a pianist and music lover; you know.

I won \$8 in war stamps at a soldier
quiz show here Sunday night.

Well, you can send me the "Rebounds"
when your next one comes out and I will be
very grateful.

Sincerely,

Bob Bock

P.S. I meant Pryor for the second
all-Big Six team and Paine, of course, for the
first five. Thanks for correcting me — the
army, or any other employer I might ever
work for, can have nothing but accuracy —
so anything to keep me "on the ball" — O.K.

Prof. Robert L. Bock
A.S. N. 17199786
306 T. G.
306 Bks.
Sheppard Field, Texas



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A series of five horizontal wavy lines used to cancel a postage stamp, with the word "Free" written above them.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen.
Robinson Gym
Univ. of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Tuesday Feb. 29, 1944

Dear Dr. Allen:

Inasmuch as I have again changed stations I would appreciate it if you would change my address for the Jayhawk Rebounds to read as follows.

Ens. M. L. Breidenthal Jr

U.S.S. P.C. 1254

Fleet Post office

New York, New York.

Unfortunately I can't tell where I am or what I am doing but maybe some of the fellow will see the ship floating around someplace and drop in and say "Hello".

I want to assure you that I enjoy the Rebound very much and keep all the copies against the day when I'll see some fellow Jayhawkers who want to know all the news.

Sincerely
M. L. Breidenthal Jr
Maurice Jr

Ensign M. L. Greidenthal Jr
USS PC 1254
Fleet Post office
New York, New York.



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

U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
GROSSE ILE, MICHIGAN

March 22, 1944

Dear Doc:

My stay in Kansas was a very short one. Few weeks to be exact. I had hoped to be there longer, however, the Navy "insisted" (?) I come up here. I had to rush to do it too, because I only had two days (48 hrs) to make it here and not be a. o. l. (Away over Leave). It's an entirely different country than I anticipated, too. If you think western Kansas is flat you should see this. Possibly you have, so pardon my ignorance on the subject. We are about twenty miles south of Detroit - and I don't believe there is a hill from here to Detroit. Just flat. Plenty cold, too.

I see by the papers ~~here~~ that the N.C.A.A. is about to have some basketball in Kansas City. That's one thing I hate to miss -

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GROSSE ILE, MICHIGAN

good basketball, after playing in about five games in Hutchinson, I was beginning to get warmed up on the idea, and "lings" before I knew it - I'm here. It looks as tho' I'll have to wait until post-war for some good games.

The "newsletters" are still a great help to me. They are most interesting and inform me of the "buddies" I once had and knew at Kansas. I hope you can be the stimulus for a big reunion once we get this thing over (and for good) and we can talk and enjoy the stories and adventures of each other. I'm not thinking of what I can add to the occasion besides presence, but I would enjoy hearing from some of those Kansans who have really been places and ^{have} done great

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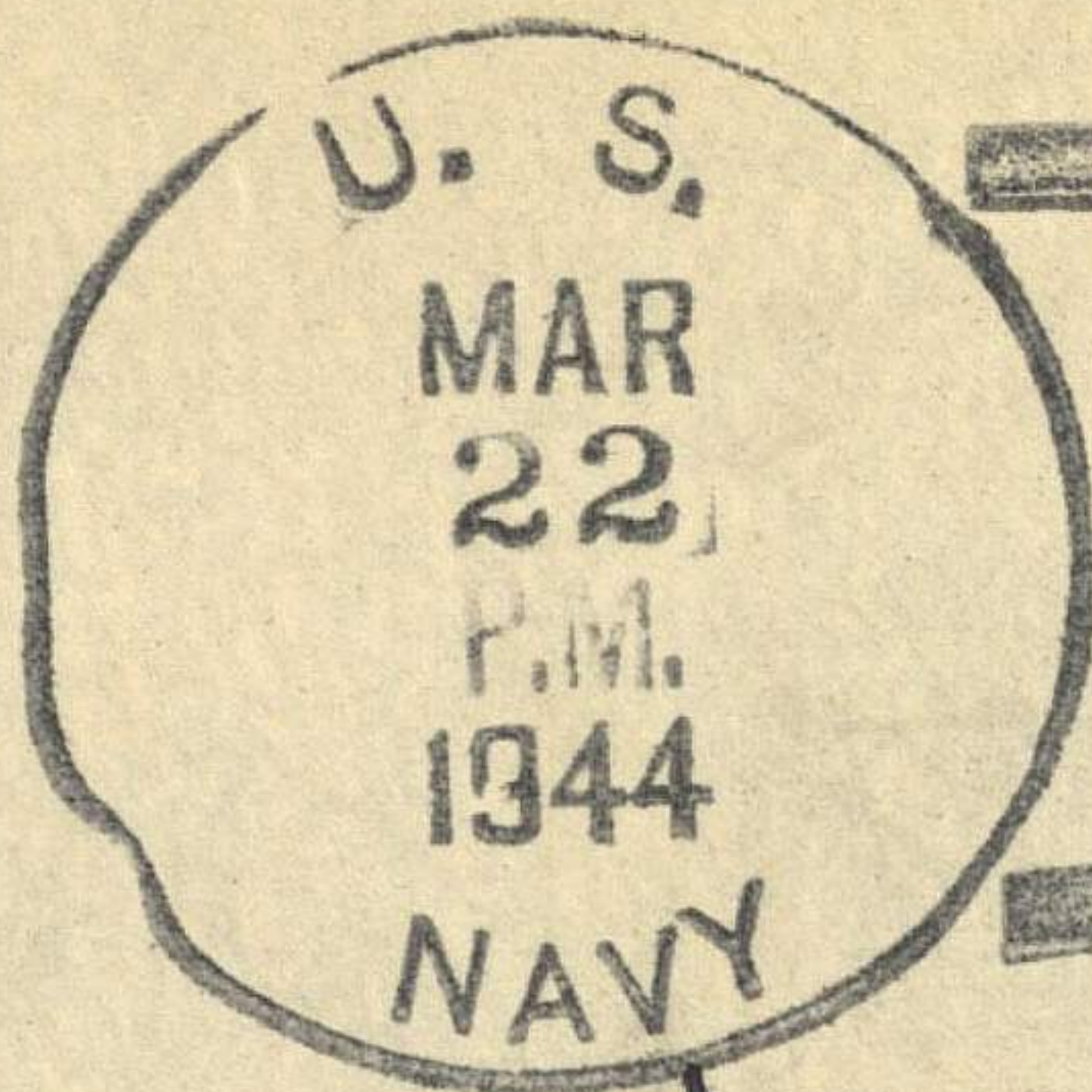
things. How about that Doc?

Give my very best regards to Henry,
Dean, Mrs. Hulteen and all the rest of "Phys
Ed." gang. Sorry I missed you and hope
Mrs. Hulteen is fully recovered from her "flu".
Say a big Hello to Mrs. Allen for me and
here's hoping we can all see each other
for happy reunion soon.

Sincerely,

Murray Downer

Mrs. G. M. Brown
Cadets Regiment
Naval Air Station
Grosse Ile, Mich



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Dr. F. C. Allen
Athletic Dept.
KANSAS UNIVERSITY
Lawrence, KANSAS.