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