December 14, 1945 Lt. Chester C. Gibbens-0574711 501st Bomb Group A.P.O. 182, c/o Postmaster San Francisco, California Dear Gibby: I do very much appreciate your fine letter written November 12. Please do not think that I have failed to appreciate the motive that prompted you in writing regarding Lt. Alan D. Ellies, 501st Bomb Group, A.P.O. 182, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California. When you told me that Lt. Bllies' address was Washington Court House, Ohio, I would have known that they played good basketball, because I am acquainted with that environment. Those boys around that area play mighty nice basketball. I had a coaching school in that area in the late

20's or the early 30's.

Doubtless his letter will be on the way to Guam when you are headed home. My son-in-law, Lt. Mons, stationed at Guam, is on his way home for discharge. I think I wrote you about him but I imagine you did not get a chance to see him. I am enclosing a carbon copy of the letter that I have written Lt. Ellies.

Please be assured that I appreciate your thoughtfulness and lowalty. I certainly would be happy to have the boy enroll in the University of Kansas.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

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