

September 9, 1942.

Lieut. John H. Glenn, A-V(S)USNR,  
Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board,  
Board of Trade Building,  
141 West Jackson Blvd.,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Johnny:

It must have been mental telepathy because when your letter arrived previously I had just told John Buescher that I was writing you a letter, and then some individual came in the office and prevented it. But when I opened your letter I thought, "Well, what a coincidence!", and I believe at the very time you were writing this letter I was planning to write you one.

We have talked about you a lot in the Allen family, and we often ask about your mother and the Kuhls.

I am certainly glad that you are getting along splendidly, and if at any time I am in Chicago before you leave this fall I will make it a point to drop in and see you. Nothing would give me more pleasure.

Yes, John Buescher's 4F classification was a mild surprise, but not a great one because I had talked to Dr. Canuteson and he told me last spring that John was in better physical condition than he had ever been in his whole life. And then he told me how badly shot up his lungs were but those patches are incapsulated and I believe that John has a chance of living to a ripe old age if he is extremely careful never to expose himself unduly or to work to utter exhaustion with a poor nutritional set-up.

I am sorry that we are not going to play in Chicago this year. This is the first year for three seasons that we are not playing there, but we are playing in New York on the 28th of December, and you might be around there at that time. We are playing Fordham. I am sending you a mimeographed letter (rather mussy because it is one of the left-overs) that I sent to the squad. I enclose a schedule and you can still get in on our basketball activities at present. I am also sending you a football schedule so you can keep up with the progression of things at Kansas.

I certainly will remember you to Mrs. Allen. With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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