

~~NAVY DEPARTMENT~~

Lt (j.g.) A. M. Brown
Naval Air Station
Horse Is., Mich

U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
GROSSE ILE, MICHIGAN

Sept 5, 1944

Dear "Doc":

I suppose you are getting set for another year at Kansas. What are the prospects of the athletic teams? Are you still depending on the navy — partially? If so — for how long? Our cadet training program has been greatly reduced and it looks as tho' our base here will close around the 1st of November. Then I'll be on my way again — Don't know where just now. Time will tell. My chances of getting over with Pfitsch are very, very slim. I doubt if I could get there before the end of the European war. Incidentally, I get a weekly report, via V-mail, from John and all is going well — He hopes to be home by Xmas.

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I hope he is - too. I'd sure like to see that guy - He's a great one. I now have a new "leons" here at Grosse Ile. Lt. Cmdr. Everett Case is his name. I'm sure you are familiar with the name since he is a well known Indiana High School coach of Basketball. He says to remember him to you at my next writing - so there it is.

Three of the officers and myself journeyed to the All-Star football game last week. The Missouri Valley section was well represented in Glenn Dobbs of Tulsa who played an outstanding game. I'm only sorry Ray Evans couldn't have been present, because I think he is every bit as good as Dobbs. Both throw hard and

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very accurate. You catch it or it knocks you down. I saw George Dick in uniform but I don't think he played. I tried to see him but the crowd was too big to get thru. - also it rained very hard. I did see Frank Cramer, Reeves Peters, C. E. McBride, Mike Gatto, Gene Johnson and several others - It was just like old home week. Sorry you were not there - or were you?

Be sure and give my very best wishes to Henry, Elmer, and Dean and I hope they have a very successful season. Also my congratulations to the new Athletic Director E. C. Quigley. Just tell him it's the Rockhurst Brown. That will clarify the Browns to him. He should know my number as many fans as he has called on me. Not dirty Doc, just rough and

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Chummy. Remember?

Keep those "Rebounds" bounding this way as I really enjoy them. I have met up with several other Kansas friends here and they enjoy them too. Very Much. So, keep up the good work.

Please remember me to Mrs. Allen and I trust she is in A-1 health. Also give my regards to "Mit" and Isabell. Then too, I want to be remembered to Mrs. Hulsten if she is still around. Hope to hear from you when you find time -

As ever,

Murray Brown

September 4, 1944.

Mr. Wm. V. Bryan,
Decatur, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Bryan:

I have checked the train connections out of Lawrence, Kansas, and find that the pullman and railroad fare first class is around \$50.00. I also find that the train connections out of Fort Wayne are bad. If I would leave Lawrence at 6:50 p.m. and arrive in Chicago at 7:30 the next morning, I could leave Chicago on the Pennsylvania at 9:30 and get into Fort Wayne at 12:20 noon.

Since Decatur is twenty miles from Fort Wayne and train service is bad, I am afraid that a speaker could not arrive in time for the afternoon meeting unless he could be met by a car.

I want to thank you for offering me the speaking date, but feel that hotel and meal expense would take up practically the entire allotment. It is nice of you to ask me.

sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Decatur, Indiana --

Fare: \$45.83 round trip, including
pullman (upper) from K.C.
to Chicago.

Lv. Lawrence 6:50 p.m.

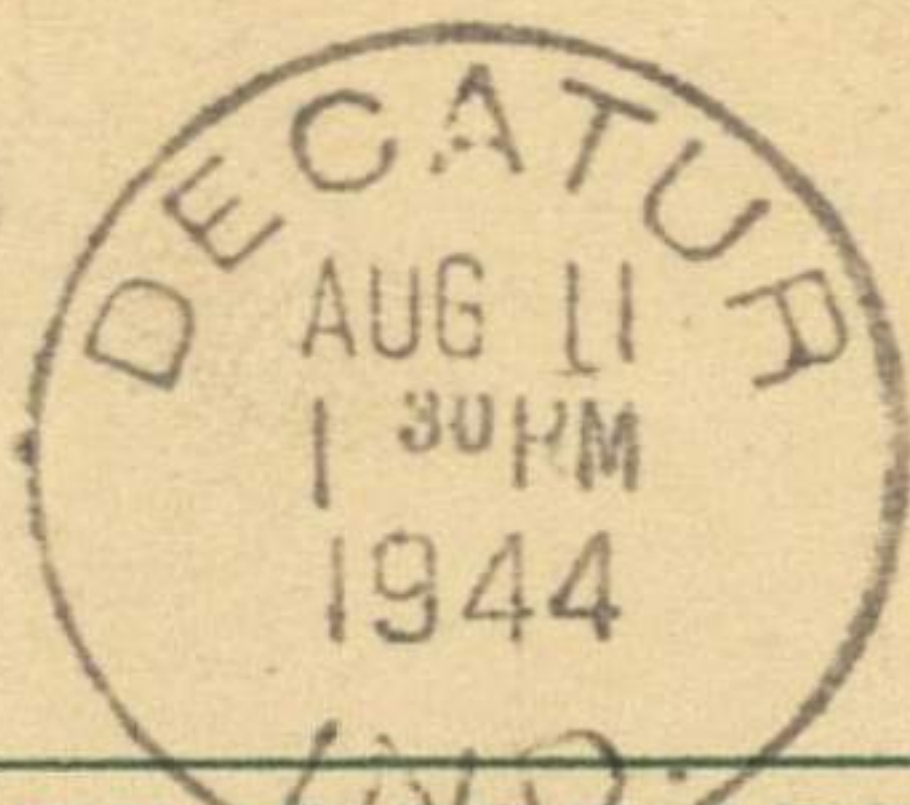
Ar. Chicago 7:30 a.m.

Lv. Chicago on Pennsylvania at 9:30 a.m.

Ar. Ft. Wayne, Ind. 12:20 noon

Decatur is 20 miles from Ft. Wayne -
train service is not good, but perhaps
you could be met there by a car.

Wm. V. Bryan
Decatur, Indiana



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Coach Forest Phog Allen
Lawrence
Kansas

Decatur, Ind.

Aug. 11, 1944

Dear Mr. Allen:

I met on a committee last evening and wonder if you are going to be in this section of the country on Oct. 26th, 1944. We are looking for a speaker for the afternoon and evening of our teachers convention. It is to be on athletics. Most of the people there will be athletic coaches.

We thought for the evening meeting to have a dinner meeting and round table discussion and if possible some pictures of games etc.

We are able to pay \$70.00 for these two meetings. Will appreciate an early answer if you will be able to favor us with your presence.

Yours sincerely,

Wm. V. Bryan

W. V. B.

August 15, 1944.

Mr. Wm. V. Bryan
Decatur, Indiana

Dear Mr. Bryan:

In reply to your card of August 11, Dr. Allen is in Boone, Iowa this week attending the Iowa Coaching School. He will be back here next Monday and will then write you further details.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:lj

*Fare?
Train schedule?*

September 28, 1944.

Mr. Harold A. Burt,
649 Ratcliff,
Shreveport, La.

Dear Harold:

I was delighted to hear from you. I will bet Duke makes a fine record at Sewanee. He is a grand-looking boy, and I want you to know we will be delighted to have him here with us next year. I don't believe you will have any difficulty with the boy on his football or his studies. Frankly, I believe he is a chip off the old block, and I know that you never let your athletics overbalance your endeavors in the classroom.

It is very nice of you to say the things that you did and I assure you that I enjoyed the visit with you and Mrs. Burt, as well as your two wonderful sons. Please remember me most kindly to all of them.

Yes, I knew the Jayhawk Rebounds would be too recent for your acquaintanceship, but through the years once in a while we will bring back one of the old-timers that you will remember. Henry Shenk said to me that he was a freshman when you were a star on the team and how well he remembered your driving smashes through the line.

Kansas really played T.C.U. a wonderful game. The morale is very high over the campus and over the state as a result of Kansas fine showing.

We certainly hope that Duke will be with us next fall and that he will be the magnet that will draw you and Mrs. Burt back to the campus often.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

WRITTEN FROM
649 RATCLIFF
SHREVEPORT, LA.

September 25 ,1944

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

Dear Doc:

I am sure that you have no idea how much pleasure it was for me to see you again. Although our visit was necessarily short, I feel as though my old tie to K.U. had been reestablished. Your personality and driving enthusiasm have not changed since I left there in 1925. Your idea of college athletics is the same as mine and I have always been one of your most ardent admirers. You probably had a great deal to do with forming my ideas of college athletics. Mrs. Burt and I would both be glad to have either or both of our boys placed under your influence.

Duke has gone back to Sewanee Military Academy for his second and last year. He wired that he had been promoted to platoon commander and given a cadet commission as 2nd Lieutenant. I don't know if Duke is college football material but he wants to try it along with a course in the Engineering School. He knows that we expect him to carry his work even if he has to drop football. Unless his plans are changed he expects to come to K.U. next fall. He weighs close to 195 pounds now and should get a little heavier in the next two or three years.

Thank you for sending me the Jayhawk Rebound. The names are too recent for me to recognize in most cases but I like reading it anyway. It is a grand idea and I am sure the boys in the service are glad to get it.

Kansas lost a close one to T.C.U. but they show evidence of strength. I probably won't get back this fall but will make a game or two next year if Duke comes to K.U.

Sincerely yours,

Harold A. Burt
Harold A. Burt

649 Ratcliff

September 28, 1944.

A/T Robert L. Bock, 17199786,
Section 1, Perrin Field,
Sherman, Texas.

Dear Bob:

Henry Shenk came into my office with your letter yesterday which was the first time that I had learned of the passing of your father. I have been very busy with war work and with coaching schools at Boone, Iowa, and Topeka, Kansas, in the late summer, and we have had our daughter Jane living with us since her husband, a Navy flier, received orders that the wives of the men were to be sent home. She is expecting a baby in a very short while. Then we had our grandson from Palo Alto with us quite some time, and now we have Mary, our oldest daughter with us, and she will be here for some time yet.

Bobby Allen graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School last Saturday morning, and he and his wife, Jean, drove in Monday night. We have had quite a busy household all summer, and this together with my war activities and other mine-run duties have kept me on the go.

Henry did not tell me of his first letter when you advised him of the death of your father.

I was very certain, however, that when you left Lawrence you would not get to see your Dad again alive. The symptoms that you described to me of his condition assured me that it would have been a miracle that he survived. Bob, these are the things that make us older in years and wisdom. They come to all of us, but none of us are ever ready. When they do come we must shape our philosophy according to the situation. We live for the living, and while we have reverence for the passing, yet if we dwelt too much on the past we would have the philosophy of the ancient Chinese.

Your mother and your sister are the ones that you must comfort and cheer. Naturally you will have to be brave, as men's sons before have been. You are in the armed service and naturally there is a strength about that calling that people unconsciously revere. While they desire to have you home, yet they admire the thing that you are doing because although war is terrible, yet through the thousands of years men have gone to war to defend their loved ones. And that is the idea of America - that you are in this war to see the things that Hitler and Hirohito advocate do not come to pass. We may as soldiers and sailors wisecrack about the idealism of this or that, but someone has said that you never find an infidel in the American forces in the South Pacific.

So, whether you go back to the crusades or bring yourself up to the present, the ideal of the men going to war still has a potent ring.

Bob, you and I, of course, will go the way of all flesh, and if you can think of life through the hundreds and thousands of years - that life has been repeating itself - then you will get a true perspective and will be able to do in the short while that you are here the very best that you can. Before the Nazis defiled the swastika it had a beautiful Indian legend. That emblem stood for kindness and reverence, and the motto was "May the four winds of Heaven ever upon you gently blow." Here's my wish for you, Bob. And may you have a philosophy equal to the occasion.

With sincerest wishes and an understanding sympathy, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

PCA:AH

Copy of reply sent to J.W. Law 9/19/44

THE ALTA VISTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ROY E. BONAR, SUPERINTENDENT

ALTA VISTA, KANSAS

Sept. 16, 1944

Dr. Allen
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen,

I have a boy out for football who is having considerable trouble with his feet and am wondering if you can give me some suggestions in the care of these feet so that he may be of more value to his team and have less discomfort himself.

The trouble seems to be in the part of the foot immediately back of the toes on the top side. As he takes a lineman's stance to charge the strain on the toes and part of foot immediately back of the toes is causing the trouble. The pain extends well up over the top of his foot to the ankle. This boy is wearing about the best pair of football shoes available and he has a good pair of arches .

Could you advise me as to wrapping or care of these feet. I would appreciate an early reply. I am inclosing a self addressed stamped envelope.

Very Truly Yours,

Roy E Bonar
Roy E. Bonar

September 16, 1944.

Mr. Bud Boucher,
Harlan, Iowa.

Dear Bud:

I acknowledge with gratitude your fine remembrance in the way of a pocket billfold, which I have badly needed. You certainly are a good psychologist to be able to read the wants of an individual.

I trust that you are feeling well. Won't you let me know how you got along?

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

WESTERN UNION

Harlan, Iowa
August 31, 1944

Dr. Forrest C. Allen

Am sending boy with bad knee to you tomorrow. This is
the boy we talked about. Wire Bernie Boucher collect
immediately whether you will be there.

Brick Mason
Athletic Coach

March 17, 1945.

Black

Dear J. A.:

Thank you for your good letter of the 5th instant together with clipping from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette showing the one and only Dr. H. C. On the board I see Dr. Carlson's famous menu, with lots of milk and ice cream. This looks like a perfectly natural setting for the good doctor. I am sorry he did not get the call for his Pitt Panthers to play in the N.C.A.A.

I am glad you wrote me regarding Norman A. Reist. I had a nice visit with him a few years ago when he was returning from the East and was on his way to Wilmerding. He is a very good friend of mine and I am happy to be remembered to him.

I certainly will remember you to the Nevins. I see them often and they are very good friends of ours indeed. And of course Mike Getto belongs in the class of friends, so I will not forget him.

Trust that you come our way again. It was a great pleasure to see you and have a visit with you.

Rotarily,

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Forrest C. Allen Phsq
Kansas University
Lawrence
Kansas

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J. Audley Black
444 Greenwaukey Ave
East McKeesport
Pa

East McKeesport, Pa

Mar 5 1945

Dear Rotarian Allen

You will probably be surprised to receive a letter from the undersigned, but since arriving home I find we have a mutual friend in Norman J. Priest a former Kansan from Ottawa Kans. Graduate of Teachers College there and secured his Master Degree K.U.

~~He~~^{He} is now and has been for the last six years Supervising Prin. of Wilmerding Public Schools, a Member Past President of Wilmerding Rotary Club. When I talked with him since coming home and speaking of having met you when I attended Lawrence Rotary he immediately asked me if I had mentioned his name to you.

Of course I had to confess I had not, and when I picked up the enclosed clipping about our

mutual friend ✓
Dr. H. C. Carlson, Pitt B B coach I
knew I could prove to you he was
not "Red" any more

I am enclosing a copy of our
last week's "Relay" checking Norm
Reist's name

Remember me to Mike Galle who also
knew Dr. Carlson

We visited the Armstrong Girls
& their sister Mrs. Swin White in
Lawrence and think you know
them personally. Should ^{you} meet any
of them would be glad to have you
mention having heard from me

Respectfully yours

J. Audley Black

"Ja"

SPORTS

FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 2, 1945

Westminster Beats

Panthers Jubilant Over Tourney Chances



—Post-Gazette Photo

THE PITT basketball squad gathered in the Cathedral of Learning yesterday to hold a farewell luncheon for Guard Oland Canterna, second from right, who goes into the army air corps next week. However, Dr. H. C. Carlson, veteran coach, looked over his list of probable choices for District

2 in the NCAA postseason tourney, decided the Panthers were logical entries, and got the enthusiastic response pictured above. Left to right are Ed Garnham, Ed Maruzewski, Harry Zeller, Dr. Carlson, Clair Malarkey, Phil Marder, Morris Jacobson, Oland Canterna, and Ed Michalik.

Pitt Anxious To Compete In NCAA Play

By Jack Sell

Dr. H. C. Carlson and his Pitt basketball squad gathered in the Cathedral of Learning mess hall at noon yesterday to tender a farewell luncheon to Oland Canterna, brilliant freshman guard from Freeport who enters the army air corps next week. Before the affair was over, however, the cagers were whooping things up over the possibility that they may enter post-season play as District 2 representatives in the NCAA title tourney in Madison Square Garden on March 22.

Spark which started the commotion was the 31-point trouncing absorbed last Wednesday night in Gotham by Temple's Owls at the hands of New York University. The Philly five was the logical District 2 choice after the University of Pennsylvania had passed up the bid due to departure of key figures via service calls.

Owls' Wings Trimmed

When the Violets won by 85-54 the attractiveness of Temple in tourney play evaporated. NYU is a swell pick but it seems likely that Coach Howard Cann's proteges will prefer to appear in the Metropolitan tourney instead of the NCAA event. In that case, undefeated Rennselaer Poly remains in the running but with a tough problem against Canisius still on the horizon.

Whether Pitt will get the bid depends on the vote of the three-man committee, which Carlson heads. Other members are Lew Andreas, of Syracuse, and Nat Holman, of New York City College, who was confirmed yesterday to replace Howard Cann, of New York U., who had resigned.

February 26, 1945.

Mr. L. H. Brewster,
Superintendent of Schools,
Osborne, Kansas.

Dear Superintendent Brewster:

I wish I could respond favorably to your appeal, but I am just afraid that first class coaches are so scarce that we may have to say "nay" to your request. However, I will keep my eyes open and if I do have anyone well enough qualified to suggest to you, I will certainly recommend him.

Thank you for your very kind remarks. Such words always hearten one.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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THE OSBORNE CITY SCHOOLS

L. H. BREWSTER, Superintendent



Osborne, Kansas

February 14, 1945

Mr. "Phog" Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear friend Mr. Allen:

I will ask the impossible of you and hope you can produce. We believe that Osborne has an ideal situation for a first-class coach of all sports and we are needing one for next September. We want a first-class gentleman and an honest-to-goodness coach. We will not over-work him. We will pay him well and he will have a happy school home here, if you can locate such a fellow. May I hear from you soon with the name of anyone you may care to recommend and I will contact them immediately.

I want to tell you I appreciate all the good news that I hear concerning your work and the Kansas University basketball squad.

Respectfully,


L. H. Brewster

LHB:FN

October 27, 1944.

Mr. L. H. Brewster,
Superintendent of Schools,
Osborne, Kansas.

Dear Superintendent Brewster:

I greatly appreciate your letter of the 26th.

The game of basketball has been awfully good to me throughout the years, and I am only trying to protect the game. There are a number of sinister influences that are working that we haven't mentioned as yet, but we are taking a crack at them as they stick up their heads.

It was nice of you to write me as you did.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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THE OSBORNE CITY SCHOOLS

L. H. BREWSTER, Superintendent



Osborne, Kansas

October 26, 1944

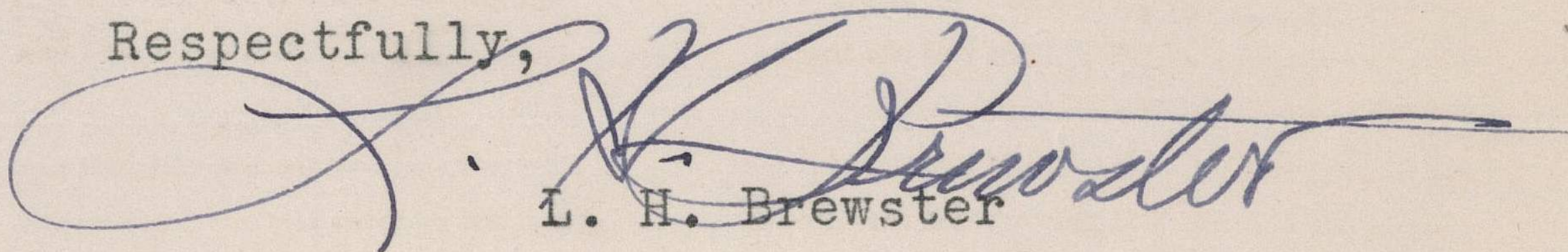
"Phog" Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Doctor Allen:

I just thought I would take time out for a minute to tell you that I read the Daily Kansan and otherwise keep up on you and your work pretty well. I want to add my word of encouragement to your ever-lastingly keeping watch for those things which destroy. I am referring now to your crack at the gamblers. We need more men who are willing to fight the good fight in everyday living. I know it is no particular fun and I know it takes just as much nerve as it does to take a machine gun nest over in Europe. I just wanted you to know that out in the quiet places you are heard and the effect of your work is felt and appreciated. My theory is that it is tonic for those who would not begin to stay in line otherwise unless they had somebody who was willing to give them a jolt once in a while.

With best wishes for your work and for our Kansas University always, I am,

Respectfully,



L. H. Brewster

LHB:FN