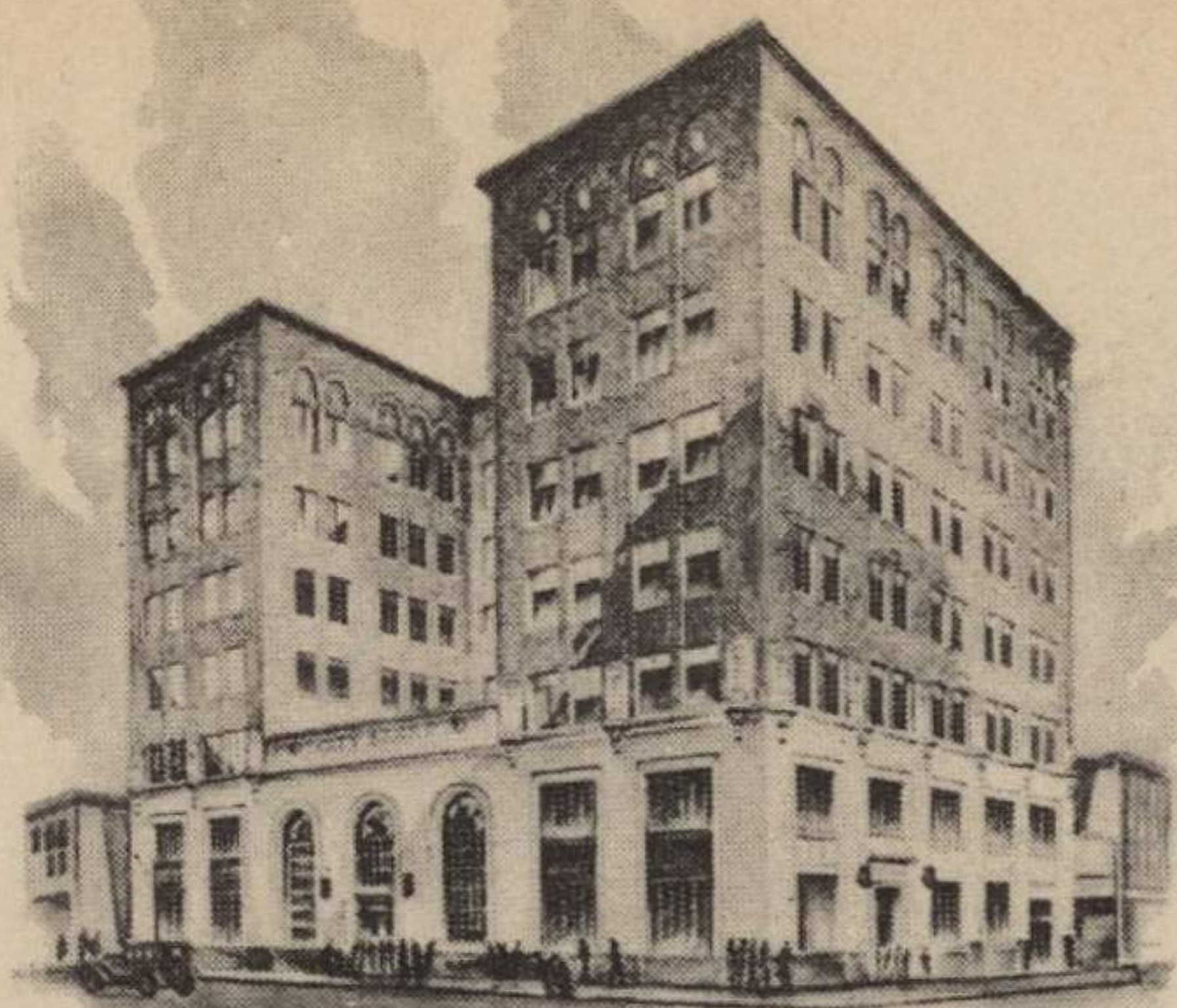


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City Bond & Mortgage Co.

MEZZANINE FLOOR CITY NATIONAL BANK

Kansas City, Missouri

August 31, 1939

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

Dear Dr. Allen,

I am working - temporarily at least - in the City Bond and Mortgage Company. We are located on the mezzanine floor of the City National Bank and Trust Company. I have made the acquaintance of a young man eighteen years old who works in the bank downstairs, I soon learned he is a great admirer of yours. Having something in common we became friends.

He is eighteen or nineteen years old having graduated from Paseo High School in 1938. He is very very anxious to get a higher education in fact I believe he is going to attend night school. He is six feet four inches tall and weighs about 165 pounds. He is well coordinated - I know because I have watched him play ping pong during lunch hour in the basement of the bank. He is a handsome young man with a clean wholesome appearance. He has loved basketball ever since he can remember and he has played it as long.

He would like very much to meet you, and I felt that you might like to meet him. I am sure he could come to Lawrence at your convenience. I would be very pleased to hear from you if you are interested. His name is Bob Sommers.

I hope you are getting along swell; and I shall stop in to see you the next time I am in Lawrence.

Very truly yours,

Blaine E. Grimes

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PS: my personal address is: 2301 N. 10th St.
Kansas City, Kansas