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July 17, 1943

Dr. Forest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 15th received.

We shall within the next couple of days send you our invoice and of course will allow you credit on the bushings.

Very truly yours,

E. W. BACHARACH & COMPANY

AWL:rh

June 4, 1943.

Pvt. Wm. W. Brill,
Co. D, 10th Bn., IRTG
Ft. McClellan, Alabama.

Dear Bill:

I was mighty happy to hear from you, and we will follow your instructions regarding the sweater and basketballs when they arrive.

We will be getting out another mimeographed letter to the boys in a short time, and will send you one. The boys seem to enjoy learning about the activities and whereabouts of each other.

With best wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.



FORT MCCLELLAN, ALABAMA

May 26.

Dear Doctor Allen,

Your letter arrived the other day and I was real excited about the good news it contained. I wanted to answer promptly, but this is the most busy period of our basic training. We have been rushing around completing all of our training. This week I had to finish firing on the different ranges, complete thirty hours of guard duty, prepare for the General's inspection, which we had this morning, and now I am preparing for two weeks of maneuvers that starts tomorrow. At the end of maneuvers marks the completion of our basic training. At that time I am to be transferred to the Air Corp.

as an Air Cadet. I hope I will
be as well pleased with that
part of the army as I am
with this present training. I
am well pleased with the army
life.

I wear a size 42 sweater with
a 35 sleeve. I would like to
have the sweater and gold basket-
ball to my Mother. The address
is 1922 No. 24th. Kansas City,
Kansas. - Mrs. W. H. Brill. Thank
you very much.

Tell Mrs. Allen hello.

Sincerely yours,
Bill.

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Th. F. C. Allen.
K. W.
Lawrence Kans.

June 9, 1943.

Mr. F. C. Allen.
Lawrence Kans

Dear Mr. Allen:

Your letter received
and I will be at school
as far as I know next
week.

Thanking you

Sincerely yours.

Mildred Beecher

30, Harrison

Newton, Mo.

June 4, 1943.

Pvt. Hoyt Baker,
Battery A, 14th Bn., 2nd Plat.,
Fort Eustis, Virginia.

Dear Hoyt:

Mighty happy to have your letter, and we will follow your instructions about the gold basketball when it arrives.

We are getting out another letter to all the boys in a short time, and will send you a copy as soon as it is prepared. Most of the boys seem to enjoy reading about the activities of the other fellows.

With best wishes to you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.



FORT EUSTIS, VIRGINIA

Monday
May 24, 1943.

Dear Dr. Allen,

I received your good letter last week regarding the gold basketballs. Since I don't have any girl friend except my mother I guess you will have to send it home to her.

As for the measurements of a sweater I already have mine. I received one of the few they had this fall.

I want to congratulate you on that fine newsletter you send out. It was really interesting to know where all the fellows

landed.

I have three more weeks here at Fort Eustis, then no telling where I will land. Weeks are beginning to seem like days now.

You mentioned to me in your newsletter about Charles Maffett the boy Dr. Jensen wrote to you about. He enrolled in summer school at F. U. with my younger brother Ross. I believe they are staying at the Salt House at the present time, I don't know for sure.

I will close as the mail is now taken to the battery office. Thanks again for your letter and all you've done for me.

Sincerely yours
Port Hoyt Baker

But Hoyt Baker
Btry A 14th Bn
3d Platoon
Fort Eustis, Virginia



Dr. F. C. Allen,
Lawrence, Kansas.

90 N. W. Athletic Department

June 5, 1943.

Miss Mildred Beecher,
301 Harrison,
Newton, Kansas.

Dear Miss Beecher:

I received your postcard this morning, and it will be perfectly all right if you will let me know next week whether or not you can come to take the course this summer. It will not be too late, and I hope you will be able to make arrangements to take the graduate work that you desire.

I trust that your mother is feeling much better.

I met your sister last winter when your basketball team played at Oklahoma. We had gone to the newsstand at the Hotel Kingkade to get some apples, and I had a very pleasant conversation with her.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Dr. J. C. Allen
K. U.
Lawrence Kansas



RMS

June 4 1943
Newton Kans

Dr Allen:

Now I think I will be able
to come and will know for sure
by next Wed. would that be
O.K. so we could start
the course? If so I can
write you then...

Sincerely yours
Mildred Beecher
301 Warren
Newton Kans.

June 4, 1943.

Drs. Barney and Barney,
Manchester, Vermont.

Dear Friends:

This will acknowledge your kind letter of May 19th enclosing your professional card. Congratulations and good luck to you both. I am glad that your practice is doing well, and I am glad that you like the place.

Manchester is a lovely little town. I have been in it a number of times and the security that is evidenced all about is gratifying to one who goes in to Manchester. When and if I get back east some time and go through Vermont I will say hello to you good people, but I doubt if that will be soon.

I will not pun about the saps because that has been overworked. I imagine almost every westerner will try to work that old time pun over and over.

Dr. Wayne Konrad saw me at Columbia, Missouri, when we played the Tigers the 2nd of March. We had a good visit with him. He came over from Slater to Columbia with a patient. He told me that he was interested in having a young high school graduate, Miss Ann Scipes, come to the University and study to be a technician. She and her mother came over and I presume that she is enrolled in the University. I haven't had the opportunity of seeing her, but I told her that anything we could do to help her out would be a pleasure. I presume that her studies are taking most of her time. Dr. Konrad always speaks of you people.

Here's hoping you have much success, health and happiness.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

DR. MASON B. BARNEY
DR. ESTHER PARRY BARNEY
OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS
MANCHESTER, VERMONT

TELEPHONE 312

5/19/43

Dear Dr. Allen

We located in this little town about
Five weeks ago -- and since then have
done quite well. - Only one day has
passed without a patient -- I like it
here very much - except I do get homesick
for my friends in Kansas -

We have our office and home
together in a wonderful location -- Our
home is no mansion but is very plain -
However bath Mason and I would enjoy
a visit from you when you are in
the East -- in fact we shall be insulted
if you do not come see us --

I would enjoy hearing from
you anytime you can find time to write -

Sincerely

Esther P. Barney

June 4, 1943.

Mr. W. Roy Breg,
Executive Secretary,
Allied Youth,
National Education Association Bldg.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Breg:

Pardon me for not answering your letter of May 14th sooner. With commencement speeches, graduation at the University, and Rotary International meetings I have been so occupied that I have failed to acknowledge your good letter.

I am very happy to cooperate at any time. Certainly I never expect any money for an article that is rendering youth a service through your Allied Youth publications. All of us are happy to do our little bit for the youngsters coming on.

Let me put the responsibility the other way regarding the article that you desire. If you will write me thirty days ahead of the time that you want the basketball article I will be happy to comply with your request to get it to you in that thirty days of grace.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Mr. Forrest C. Allen
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Dear Mr. Allen:

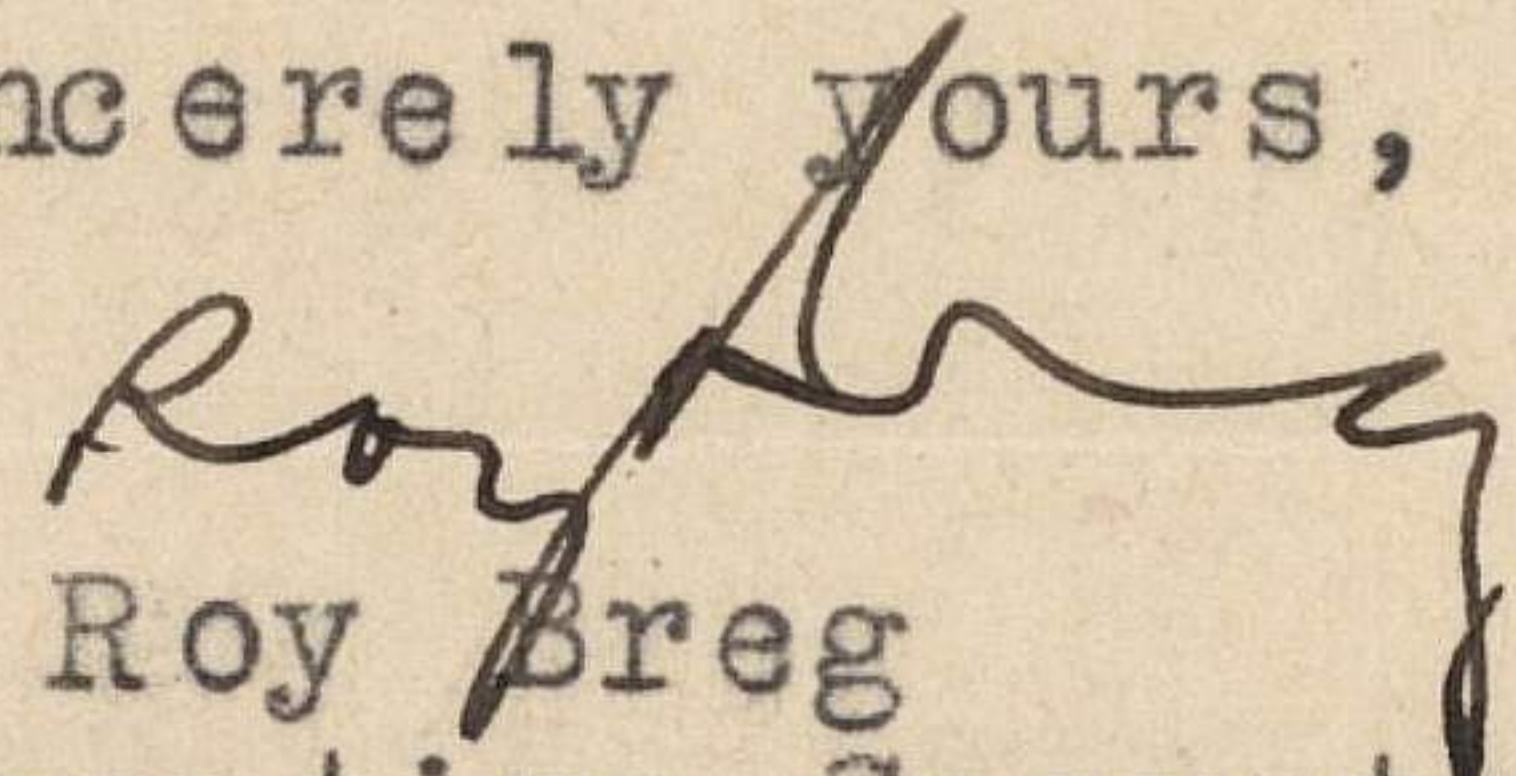
We deeply appreciate your cooperation in sending us the statement concerning Ray Evans and the pictures. We are sending you a copy of the May issue of The Allied Youth and we have, also, returned the pictures.

We are very grateful for the kind of help you give.

We would like for you to keep us in mind for next year. If you could send us an article of about a thousand words during the height of the basketball season we would greatly appreciate it. We regret we are not in position to offer remuneration for this but we can assure it that it will mean a great deal to the young people whom we serve over the nation. Our feature articles are usually reprinted by other publications.

With appreciation and kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,


W. Roy Breg
Executive Secretary

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MINNESOTA AVE AT SEVENTH
KANSAS CITY, KANSAS

May 17, 1943

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Phog:

I was glad to get your letter the other day enclosing a copy of Jayhawk "Rebounds". You are doing a fine job with that little bulletin and I know that the boys are going to be very happy to receive it.

It will be a real chore to keep it up, but you have reached an age where you haven't much else to do, so that part of it should be all right.

Let me know any time you are going to be down this way, because I would enjoy a visit very much.

Sincerely yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Maurice L. Breidenthal'. The signature is written over the typed name and title.

Maurice L. Breidenthal
P r e s i d e n t

MLB: bz

May 31, 1943.

Miss Mildred Beecher,
301 Harrison St.,
Newton, Kansas.

Dear Miss Beecher:

As I wrote you last week, we are planning on having the course, "Theory and Practice of Athletic Injuries". I told Dean Stouffer that we would have three in the class, and he looked favorably upon it.

If you will write me that you are expecting to come I will take it up with Dean Stouffer at once.

Cordially yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

May 24, 1943.

Miss Mildred Beecher,
301 Harrison St.,
Newton, Kansas.

Dear Miss Beecher:

I have been out of town for a few days and when I returned Saturday morning I read your letter of the 16th regarding your desire to take some courses in Physical Education this summer.

I believe we will be able to offer the course "Theory and Practice of Athletic Injuries", and have Dean Stouffer's tentative approval on this. You may count on it.

I am leaving today for a commencement address tonight and one tomorrow night, and upon my return I will get the final approval of the budget committee. I am hastening this note to you so that you will know the course is to be offered, and I hope we may count on your enrollment in it.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

301 Harrison Street
Newton Kansas
May 16, 1933

Mr. F. C. Allen,
Lawrence, Kans.

Dear Mr. Allen:

I had written for the catalogue for the summer courses and received it yesterday. Are there no courses for Physical Education? I had hoped that you would teach your course of athletic injuries but I can see any courses at all for those who are trying to work on the "Master" with the combination of Education. Do you have any suggestions or ought I wait till next summer? I wanted to go for the eight week course.

I thank you for your help.

Sincerely yours
Medford Beecher.

May 12, 1943.

Lieut. A. H. Buhl,
Commanding Officer,
Naval Training Station,
University of Kansas.

Dear Lieutenant Buhl:

I am sending you a copy of our mimeographed letter of communication to my varsity athletes. This boy, R. T. Fairchild, on page 4, was one of your Machinists' Mates.

As I told you, I included him because I knew from the way he wrote that he would like to be included as an adopted Jayhawker.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

May 11, 1943.

Pvt. Wm. R. Blake,
Section 7,
A.A.F. Met. Tng. Det. 11,
University of New Mexico,
Albuquerque, N. Mexico.

Dear Private Blake:

Immediately upon receipt of your letter this morning we had one of the towel room attendants get your gym equipment which you had left here. We are sending all of your equipment under separate cover, and trust that it reaches you in good shape.

With best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Albuquerque, New
Mexico
May 9, 1943

Physical Education Office
Robinson Gymnasium
University of Kansas

Dear Sirs:

Previous to March 11, 1943 I was enrolled in an 8:30 MWF physical conditioning class. On March 11 I was ordered to active duty on such short notice that I had no time to withdraw my gym equipment from the check room in the basement of Robinson.

Later at my request a friend attempted to get my gym equipment for me--he was told by the check-room clerk that they didn't have it.

My towel ticket number was 448; I do not recall my basket number but I feel certain you have it on your records.

I had only a pair of white shorts, a supporter and a pair of new black tennis shoes. I don't care about the first two articles but I need the tennis shoes and as it is impossible to obtain such shoes here I should appreciate it very much if you would have the check room attempt to locate the shoes.

If it is at all possible drop me a card about this before school closes so I can have a friend call at the office in case the shoes are found.

Yours truly,

Pvt. Wm. R. Blake

Pvt. Wm. R. Blake
Section 7
A.A.F. Met. Tng. Det. 11
University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, N. Mex.

May 10, 1943.

Mr. Lee P. Benton,
37 Commonwealth Avenue,
Chestnut Hill, Mass.

Dear Lee:

The basketball season is over and I guess it is not necessary to advise you not to get in that league. I would say that basketball is too strenuous for you, but doubtless you went ahead and played a good game. I certainly would not advise it for a friend or relative of mine. Handball is strenuous enough. Volley ball is the thing that would be just about right for a busy man, such as you are.

Volley ball would provide you with a lot of social contacts, friendly relations, and so forth, without that hypertension that exists in basketball or in handball. A fellow who has to get up the next morning and have all the zip that a salesman has - well, its just a little too much, I would say.

I would like to write you a long paragraph and tell you how we coach our boys not to foul. It is a matter, of course, of individual defensive fundamental teaching. We teach the boys not to foul but it is founded upon good fundamentals. Pulling the arms back and keeping the forearms on a line with the body rather than overlapping is one of the first fundamentals, and then the underhand cut rather than the overhand, using the extension under. But I will wait until I meet with you before I go into the explanation of teaching you this new non-fouling game.

Rather than to write you a longer letter I am sending you a mimeographed letter that I have written to all the boys in the service. This will give you a resume of all the basketball season and will also tell you that Mrs. Webster and Earl Falkenstien have moved over in Mr. Klooz's office. Thank you for sending me the picture of Jack Ballard cheering in the Great Lakes game. It really is a good picture of the big scamp, isn't it?

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

LEE P. BENTON
37 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE
CHESTNUT HILL, MASSACHUSETTS

REPRESENTING
HALLMARK CARDS

February 14, 1943

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Athletic Dep't.
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Phog:

You will probably be surprised to hear from me but I've been intending to write you for some time to ask your advice on a matter and also to congratulate you on your fine basketball team this year.

I was in Kansas City at Christmas time, but for the first time since I graduated in 1931 I did not make the trip over to Lawrence to see my old friends there. I had intended to get over, but when I read that you were on a trip to Buffalo and New York City I decided not to make the trip. I did want to see the book presented to you on your 25th anniversary and also wanted to get a glimpse of your team. Is there a chance that you will be playing again in New York in March in the Invitation Tournament? If so, I would appreciate it if you would let me know. Boston being a poor basketball town the only news I get on this sport is from the occasional Kansas City paper sent to me by my mother or the occasional New York Times I buy.

I had a complete nervous breakdown last year about this time which the doctors at the Lahey Clinic here said was brought on by a number of things, such as overwork, late hours, living alone, irregular meals, irregular sexual intercourse, etc. My weight went down from 190 to 159 pounds. The doctors also said they thought I should try to keep active in some sport the year 'round inasmuch as I had always been so active in all sorts of athletics in high school and college. Of course I am a golf bug in the summer, but have not taken up any sport the rest of the year until last spring after my illness. I used to bowl a lot in Kansas City, but they bowl only the candle pins here which do not appeal to me. After a month in Florida to recuperate last year I returned to Boston and joined the Y.M.C.A. The exercise did wonders for me, and after a summer of golf I completely regained my physical health and I now weigh 202 pounds, the most I've ever weighed in my life. Do you need a good tackle at K. U. next fall?

This fall I again joined the Y.M.C.A. and one night while shooting baskets the basketball director walked up to me and asked me where I had played. He had heard of you and asked me if I wouldn't play on one of their league teams. I have played in several of their games and get a big kick out of it--in fact caged 9 baskets in about 15 minutes one night recently. However, a couple of doctors have strongly advised me to give this up as they say at 35 I am too old for such strenuous exercise as basketball as played today. Of course I have refused to play more than 15 minutes at a time, but they seem to think that is even too much. In a recent physical checkup I was found to be perfect in every way. The other players in this league are all under 30, most of them being 17 to 24 years of age. What would be your advice on this? I know you will tell it to me straight.

LEE P. BENTON
What a change in basketball since my days at K. U. This one-handed shooting, even from the free-throw line, --the loose guarding, high scores, etc. To some the game may be more interesting, but I prefer the old time games of scientific defenses and 24 to 23 scores. I saw a game the other night between Rhode Island State and Northeastern which Rhode Island won 106 to 78. Hell, they didn't even try to guard the fellow shooting. It was just a question of who made the greatest percentage of shots and who had the most substitutes to wear the other team down.

I also notice a much closer calling of fouls when guarding today. What is the best method to guard a player without fouling him? If you come into bodily contact such as Frosty Cox or Frenchy Belgard used to inflict you would be out of the game in five minutes.

I know you are quite busy, Phog, but hope you will find time to drop me a line. Please give my regards to Mrs. Allen and the other members of your family--also Mrs. Webster and the others in the office.

I hope to see you if you make another trip to New York.

Sincerely yours,

Lee

P.S.--I got a big kick out of the enclosed picture. Would you please send me a schedule of your games and list the scores of games already played?

April 30, 1943.

Mr. Wm. Blair,
Blair Milling Company,
Atchison, Kansas.

Dear Billy:

I want you to know how very much I enjoyed my visit with you and Julia in your lovely home last Tuesday evening.

I am sending you a copy of the speech I made at Cape Girardeau in which I analyzed the football situation from its monetary and somewhat ugly side. Of course you know that I believe in intercollegiate athletics, but not in the way they are going "big time", because in that way it is no indication of a man's coaching ability. It is an indication of his ability to assemble high-powered talent by subsidies and of course the boy does not get an education in a majority of these cases. He is a badly disillusioned boy when he gets out of college, thinking somebody gypped him, because he sold his birthright for a mess of pottage.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.



U. S. NAVY PRE-FLIGHT SCHOOL
CHAPEL HILL, N. C.

March 9, 1943

Dear Dr. Allen:

I have just received word from my faithful wife that Kansas again took the "Big Six" championship in basketball. That is the best news I have heard since I have been here. I want to express my congratulations to you and the team as a whole. The fact that you did not lose a conference game is "unique" these days, however, I'm sure it is not something new to you. From the clipping I received, "long John" finally got his bearings and really "rolled them thru". I only wish I might have been there to cheer him on and to tell him to keep driving.

My time here is largely an introductory course to the Navy. We are kept busy from 5:30 AM to 10:30 P.M. - The course includes athletics, military drill, and academic subjects - such as history of Navy in general. Some of your team will be entering the Army soon or Navy. If its the Navy they are in for a vigorous program. We have five hours of physical education and athletics for every cadet every day but Sunday. This does

Not include the military drill, or infantry drill.
I'm confident your procedure at K. U. this year
is along the same lines and objectives as
they are doing here. Practically everything
a boy does here is to strengthen his legs and
shoulder muscles. More boys fall down in their
grades in athletics because they cannot
climb a 20 ft. rope than any other activity.
I know this is not new to you but it surely
was to me so though I'd pass it on for what it's
worth.

I am to be transferred from here
to Del Monte, California - Will be there
Lawrence sometime within the next week. Hope
to find you somewhere in town and enjoy
having a visit before I go on my way.

Again I want to thank you for the
letter of recommendation you wrote for me,
I have thought about all of you there at
K. U. dozens of times - Sorry I don't have
time to write each member of the team
a congratulatory letter - as well as Dean.
Best of luck to all of them in the
armed services and best of luck to you
too -

Sincerely yours
Murray Brown