

February 1, 1944

Office of Naval Officer Procurement  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

I'm very happy to commend to you Mr. Ben August Barteldes, whom I have known all of his life.. Ben Barteldes is 28 years of age. He graduated from the Lawrence Memorial High School in 1932 and entered the University from which he graduated with an A.B. degree in Economics in 1936.

He obtained his Masters in Business from the Harvard Business School in 1938. After that he was associated with the Barteldes Seed Co. here in Lawrence, Kansas, from 1932 to 1942. In 1942, he associated himself with the Hercules Powder Co. at the Sunflower Ordinance Plant. He has

He has been married for six years and has one child, 3 years of age. Ben Barteldes is a clean, capable, and a personable young business man from our community. He bears a fine reputation here in Lawrence, not only among his fellow associates but among the business men.

I have known him quite intimately and am happy to recommend him without reservation or evasion. In my opinion, he possesses excellent qualifications that should challenge your consideration of him for likely officer material.

Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education  
Varsity Basketball Coach