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Dear Fellow Jayhawkers:

Lieut. and Mrs. Ole Nesmith just dropped in the office to say hello and good-bye. Ole has been stationed in the South Pacific area for fourteen months. He is on a 15 day furlough and is reporting to Liberator Training Unit, NAS, Hutchinson, Kansas, until further orders. Ole looks in first class fighting condition - down to his old football training days. It was good to see both Mrs. Nesmith and Ole. We remembered meeting Mrs. Nesmith in New York when our basketball team was playing in the Garden. She was formerly Miss Emily Lomb.

Lieut. and Mrs. Charles Black also called on us a week ago. We had a splendid visit and Charlie looks like a million, - finely conditioned and with an additional confidence that made him look like a tough combat adversary. Charlie was destined for the Will Rogers Field at Oklahoma City. He left here last Monday, arrived there Thursday and took his tests. They did 50,000 feet in altitude, among other things, and before he knew it he was on his way to Coffeyville. He is to fly a P38 Photo Reconnaissance, and the grapevine tells us that he is doggone disappointed because there isn't a gun on the ship and he wanted to do some shooting, but they do say that his ship is the fastest thing out of this world.

Charlie will be taking pictures and shooting other things than machine guns, but I'll bet his performance is as good in the air as it was on the backboards and rebounds. Good luck, Charlie!

Another recent visitor at the office was Major E. R. "Eddie" Elbel, a member of our Physical Education staff who is now on leave for military service. Major Elbel has just completed a two months course in New York City at the Institute for Crippled and Disabled, and has written a manual on exercise for the use of men in the rehabilitation program. Major Elbel's new assignment is in research in the school of aviation medicine at Randolph Field. Dr. Peter Karpovitch, a former classmate of Major Elbel's at Springfield College, Mass., is also associated with him in this important rehabilitation work.

Already the fighting Jayhawker K men are doing something about the second generation of athletes at the University of Kansas. Ensign and Mrs. J. Fred Harris report the birth of Michael Frederick, weight 8 lbs. 8 oz., on May 26, in Kansas City. Freddie was our star quarterback on the football team in 1933, '34 and '35, vying with Ad Lindsay as one of the most versatile spiral punters of a long line of Kansas gridiron kickers. Also, Ensign and Mrs. Howard Engleman announce the birth of an 8 lb. 8 oz. son, Howard Dodge Engleman. Howard was on the varsity basketball teams of 1939, '40, and '41, and broke my scoring record of 27 points when he scored 29 points in a Big Six game.

So Kansas will not need to worry about her oncoming future greats in an athletic way. Congratulations to both the Englemans and the Harris. Long may they live and prosper!