

J A Y H A W K    R E B O U N D S

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Dear Jayhawk Friends:

My last Jayhawk Rebounds was No. 6 dated December 21, 1943. Certainly I thought that by January 21, at least, I would have another on the way, but so many things have happened in the interim that I find that nearly two months have elapsed before I have gotten around to this very pleasant occasion of writing you boys and giving you the highlights of some of the happenings here on Mt. Crede.

I have been checking up on some of my activities to use as an alibi in explaining to you why I have not written to you sooner. I find that I have been chairman for the University of the Community Chest and National War Fund drive, the Third War Loan drive, the Infantile Paralysis drive, and we are now finishing the Fourth War Loan drive today. Several months ago I was appointed secretary of the Douglas County Selective Service Board, serving as one of three members along with Professor Ogden Jones, chairman, and Bruce Cameron, vice chairman.

I am now in the midst of a very heavy organization campaign, having been named Douglas County Chairman of the American Red Cross War Fund drive for 1944. Douglas County has never failed to go over the top in any of her campaigns, either in World War One or World War Two. I am very sure that we shall not fail you boys with the largest Red Cross contribution ever in the history of the United States. Our slogan this year is, "Your Red Cross is at his side". That means that we are trying to do a job for you in this campaign to show you that the Red Cross is the proxy for us. We are giving of what talents and money that we can to help you boys who are fighting. And we are supporting that with all of our hearts and our money. The least that we can do is to give you everything we can in the way of money and the things that you need because you boys are really doing the job for us, - and don't think we fail to appreciate it. That is all we oldsters can do - and do the job that will help you boys.

I find that I have failed to tell you anything about our varsity basketball personnel. While you may not know many of these boys personally, at least you will want to know something about them.

Harold "Sparky" McSpadden, V-12, is the only one of last year's gang with us, save George Dick who played in a very few games of basketball last year but was inducted along with the eight other boys who played their last game against Kansas Aggies on March 6th and went to Leavenworth early the next morning. As you know, George was discharged last August in California with a bad knee. He is finishing his work for a degree and doing a fine job. He played a great game with the varsity football team and was elected the honor captain. He has given a good account of himself in the basketball games that he has played, although they have not been many. "Sparky" has carried the burden for this year's team, being the only man of much experience from last year's outfit. He got in