Mr. Tracy A. Leonard, 4326 A Locust, Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Tracy:

Thank you for your good letter of the 30th ultimo. We have been rushed and I failed to answer your letter sooner. I am mailing your book duly autographed, by parcel post today. I trust that it arrives safely and on time.

Yes, indeed, Henry Shenk will be happy to hear from you. Otto Rose is also one of my best friends, and I am a great admirer of him. I see him quite often - when I go through St. Louis or he comes to Columbia to see a game.

I want to thank you for your thoughtfulness in going to the trouble to mail me a block of commemoratives. I am not much of a philatelist although I have collected stamps for several years. Maurice Breidenthal, the president of the Security National Bank in Kansas City, Kansas, told me fifteen years ago that if I would buy stamps and put them away, in ten years I would double my money as an investment. I am sure I have some very valuable stamps. Dave Horkmans, the assistant postmaster at Lawrence for many years, made some very special selections for me and also picked out some of his choice stamps of several years back. So when I get too old for this job I will try sorting out these stamps.

And too, during the time that I am here I will follow your admenition - to endeavor to teach our boys to never admit defeat until the final gun is fired and the last ball goes through the basket.

With all good wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.