

March 25, 1941

Col. Karl F. Baldwin
Commandant, R.O.T.C.
University of Kansas

Dear Col. Baldwin:

Well, if you would cut the Allens off your list I would not blame you in the slightest.

Mrs. Allen and I definitely assured each other that we would be able to accept your very generous invitation to be present at the Reserve Officers Training Corps Military Ball on the 4th of April. But yesterday when I was in Kansas City speaking at the Traffic Club Luncheon, Webb Holloway and Cal Morrow, two prominent Kansas City Alumni, notified me that the Kansas City, Missouri Relay Club had definitely set April 4 as the date for a banquet to our basketball team to be held in Kansas City, Missouri. And, of course, they asked me to speak very briefly.

That puts me behind the 8 ball. And when I told Mrs. Allen about it last night, she said, "Well, there just isn't any use of our ever thinking we could attend the R.O.T.C. Ball." So again, I will have to ask you to excuse us and I humbly beg your pardon. We regret exceedingly that we cannot be with you.

However, we do appreciate your asking us.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach

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