Cpl. Jack Ballard, Troop G. Srd Eraining Regt., C.R.T.C. Bldg. 2524, Fort Riley, Kansas.

Dear Jack:

I was delighted to have your good letter of August 15. It happens that this fellow cutting the die for the basketballs, according to Julius Marks, hasn't recovered from his shingles, or hasn't caught up on making dies for bullets for Uncle Sam. I called Julius Marks and he said that he would get on him again, but I guess the die cutter thinks that it is better to cut dies for bullets than it is to cut dies for basketballs. Anyhow, Jack, your name is in the pot and the ball will be forthcoming soon because we have used additional pressure to have Julius exert on the die cutter. Of course, when government orders come they take priority over civilian orders, and that is the cause of the delay.

Your letter was both informative and interesting and I am going to use a lot of it in the next Jayhawk Rebounds. I am going to start on that tomorrow, I hope. It is quite a little chore and from time to time we gather this information so that we can pass it on to the boys in the various camps.

Give Dick Harp my kindest regards. Tell him I will never forget that long shot that he made in the Oklahoma Aggie game at Oklahoma City - that play-off game, you know, when the score was tied and we were playing an overtime period. Dick made a shot with less than a minute to go somewhere between Wichita, Kansas, and Stillwater, and the ball game was over. Kansas represented the Missouri Valley in the N.C.A.A. play-off. And then of course Dick shone in the Southern California game. We will never forget it.

Some time if and when I get out near Manhattan I will drive down in the Republican River flats and see my old pal, Jack Ballard. Congratulations, Jack, on your ascendency to a corporalship. I'll bet old Uncle Jack really takes care of his boys. Jack, you will have to get like Bo McMillin. You know, Bo says, "I sho love my boys". Now, Jack, Bo talks southern-like, so that will be no chore for you to say, "I sho love my boys". Have you forgotten, Jack, how all those Yankees on the basketball squad rode you when you started your southern drawl? Those were grand days, weren't they, Jack? Maybe we will have some more of them before you assume the state of married man and father. Eh, Jack?

Sincerely,

Dunday Aug. 15, Dear Doc: Just a few lines from the mid west. I have really been busy out here lately as I have been promoted to a Corporal and am a Combat instructor Iremained in my same ald troop and. even my same barrack I have about 60 men that & am training. Idon't know how long I will be here as I am stated for overseus action eventually Sanderstand. Istill am riding motorcycles and get a bigger Threillout and get a bigger time I willed out of them each time I willed me

to all types of specialized schools. I just completed, a course in handling high explasives. I learned allabout anti personnel mines, anti mechanization mines, booky trages, bangalore torpedoes The use and handling of dynamite, T.N.T. and many other explosives. was somewhat tempted to increase my insurance while handling the stuff. I have been schooled on operating every vehicle in the much anyel cavalry from tanks and heavy trucks down to the jeep. It has all been very interesting to me and if all the other fellows are getting as much out of their. training as Sam, Sknow that they will appreciate

the opportunity that thealing is giving us. Being a non-low is really a lot lharder work than & had pictured. I think that we work harder than the trainees in that we have a tremendous responsibility on our hands. If I am fortunate enough to be here this fall and winter you can depend that I'll be ap for some of the athletic I saw Dick Harp the lucouts other night and we are going aut for clinner together some might this week. He said that he is really soft being That he is coupeed up in an chai sall day. He looks the office all day, He looks the same and shasn't changed

a Mit I say Ray and Cappie's picture in the H.C. Star. I understand that Ray is a Staff Sigt now Boy That is swell and I am proud of him. His brather is outhere helping coach the C.P.T.C. football team. I have got to look him up sometime. I rather imagine the heat is just as had there as it is out here. He are setuated in the Republican siver flatts and by it sure does get warm I feel sorry for some of these trainers who have always lived in a cooler climate and then get sent out here. There are a lot who pass out with heat exaughstion Old father Ballard always looks out for his boys though. Dwelf get my furlough in

Sept or Oct and I Think & well make a trip out to augma with my roommate. He was a pre medie at the Univ. of aryona and is now a combatinistructor with me, The only thing hold against the army is That Good Think that the majority of the men are placed where they belong. seem to forget when I think
of this that there is a war gring m. By the way Doc. will you mail my gold basketball to my folks at 6538 Jefferson K.C. #5, Mo. Thanks a lot. I have got to close now Sincerely your friend but Ill write again.

Port. Don Blair, Company B, loth Battalion, Fort McClellan, Alabama.

Dear Don:

Mighty happy to get your good letter of the 23rd instant. We will follow your suggestions that we send your blanket and basketball to your mother at Box 8, Ottawa, Kansas.

I appreciate the nice things that you had to say in your letter, but I assure you it was a real pleasure to do them. You have always been a splendid gentleman, both on and off the court.

We will be getting out another mimeographed letter to the boys soon, and will keep you advised on all their happenings. Thank you for notifying us of your change of address.

With all good wishes, I om',

Vory cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

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FORT MCCLELLAN, ALABAMA May 23, 194. Dean Nactor Thanks so much for your letter awards, and also the letter on the addresses of the rest of the other fellows. I would like to have a blanket and would you please send the blanket and baskeltall to my mother. Her address is Box 8, attawa, Kansas. I have wanted to write you ever since I came down here and tell you how much I appreciated your taking me up to Fort Leavenworth that - day about three months ago, and also for the many other things that you did for me and also for the other boys in preparing for



FORT MCCLELLAN, ALABAMA

great adventure of life - the army. He well finish our basic eyell on June 12. I suppose that we well be shipped to farts unknown at that time. ekange en my There has been a address since I was first shyped down here. It is now Company B, 10 th Battalian, Fort mcClellan. alabama. Thanko again for the letters and also the many favors which you have preformed for me.

Sincerely yours. Port New Bland Pfc. Don E. Blair, Co. B. 3202, S.C.S.U., A.S.T.U., New York University, Bronz 53, New York.

Dear Don:

I was very happy to know that you are in the Army Specialized Training Program, and that you are enjoying your new experiences.

We are expecting 700 Army students under this same set-up on August 9th. Of course they all have to take physical conditioning, so we are adding four new men to our staff.

We had our first basketball practice yesterday afternoon, meeting the V-12 boys who are free at 4:30 for this practice. Henry Shenk is having summer football practice at 4:30 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and we have basketball practice on Tuesday and Thursday.

Hoyt Baker wrote no from Camp Edwards, Mass., where he has been sent recently. I am glad also to have Bill Brill's new address. We will include all of those in our next Jayhawk Rebounds letter.

Lots of good luck to you, Don.

Cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA: AH

July 19, 1943 Dear Doctor Hell, I suppose that you are surprised at my address. Since I left Fort McClellan. I was sent to Virginia Palytechnic Institute at Blacksburg, Virginia Here I took teste to see of I could qualify for a. S. J. P. (army Specialized Training Program) I was accepted for an engineering program and was sent here to New York Universely to attend engineering school. I can't say as I think this is the best school in the world or in the best location, the Brong, but I am happy to be here. I am to take a three months

review of physics, math, military science, and drawing. He also take six hours of physical training a week. In all we are in Class 29 hrs. a week and in Jehrsmal training 6 hrs. I also received a pay increase of four dollars a month. All the fellows in this course, I am in, were given the grade of frivate first class. I have not had a chance to see much of New York as yet but hope to see more. I have seen the grants and yankers. both play however. The Yanks sure have a fine ball club. Hey are really a bunch of competitors.

Thile I was in Baker. He was

ran into Hoys. Baker. He was there also taking tests for the

A.S. T. P. Hoytis math was a little weak and he was trying to get another interview with their board to see if they would accept him anyway. I left Virginia before Høyt had heard from his final interview so I do not know whether he made the grade or not. I sure hope that they did accept Bill Brill is in Mississippi in the air corps now. I will enclose his address in lase Bull does not get to write you before the next Jay Rawk Rebounds comes out. . So far they have issued us a stack of books about large enough to fell a feep and also they

have issued me a slide rule so I guiss I am on my way to being an engineer, slide rule and all. I was glad to hear that Dean was back under the Jayhawk's wing. Tell all of the old athletic office gang hello and I hope to be seeing them in actober when I am scheduled for a seven. day furlangh. Suncerely

Pfc. D. E. Blair
Co. B 3202 S.C. S4.

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Keesler Field, Mississippi

Dear Doc: rub-downi and checking so many sacro-iliacis; the fellows in my satist, Patrol Greadron Thirteen really appreciate spour course in theory and Practice of Atheletic Frainting. When I entered this aviation game of thought I wouldn't lave much use for my Phys El training I was very much mistaken for it fas four very usefull many times. d have been wondering low the K. U. baseball team to coming along. Are your going to coach the team one or they going & descontinue the stilleter program for the duration. Du are located at a very nice little spot out here - some when in the - - - ocean; are doing quite a great deal of fleging; but not to much. Its putty hard & get in too much Olyging, explesselly when a person

April 26, 1943

likes to fly. He recreational facilities are very good. Gennie, bouing, coftbalt and plenty of really swell blackie. Gire my regards & Mrs Webster East Falkenstein, Dell Davidson and to the good old N. U gang in general. Sincerely Govern, John L. Burge. H jg) John L. Burge UP 13 % A leet & Post Office fan Francisco, C'alif.

University of Kansas Lawrence, Hansas.

Ensign A. M. Brown, U. S. Navy Pre Flight School, Del Monte, California.

Dear Murray:

We are about ready for another Jayhawk Rebounds. I am glad to know that you are enjoying your work at Del Monte. Yes, I had read that most of these boys that you mentioned were in California with you. I had written a letter for Judge Grimsley from Mason City, Iowa.

And of course I know the coach at Washington U., because when we played at St. Louis last January we had quite a bull session. Kinnan is a fine fellow.

How is Lefty Sproul? I heard that he was not at all well.

You mention my friend Jack Beer. I don't place him. Enlighten me on this Beer men.

I am passing on your good wishes, and they are all happy to hear from you.

With lots of good luck, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

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U.S.Navy Pre Flight School Del Monte, California August 18, 1943

Dear Doc:

We certainly do appreciate the "News Letter" and are anxiously awaiting the next one. It's about the only means we have of finding out where other K.U. people are located. Incidentally, we got a card from Charlie Black who is in the Army Air Corps at Santa Ana. It may be we'll get to have a visit with him one of these days soon. Terry is with him there.

There are a number of men at this base whom you would recognize either by name or face. They are Monk Edwards from Wichita, Stalcup from Marysville, Thurlow from Abilene, "Judge" Grimsley from Mason City, Iowa, Chrisman from Missouri, Kinnan from Washington Univ., St. Louis, Joe Benson from Marysville, Pierce from Kirksville - so you can see Missouri Valley is well represented. Then, too, Lucy and I have met up with a "Lefty" Sproul who is living here. Oh, yes, I forgot to mention your friend(?) Jack Baer is here too.

I guess you know that Ernie Vanek is back in Chapel Hill and I think Pfitsch of the famous "Pflashes" is manuevering around in the desert near Yuma, Arizona. There is also a cadet Smith of Russell, Kansas who played on the freshman team while I was there. He is doing good work and I expect great things from him. He tells me that Dick Miller is at Iowa Pre-Flight. Gerald Barker, is an Ensign with the Coast Guard near here, and we meet every now and then and discuss old times. You will remember him as an Ottawa University basketball star as well as an active summer school student. Please mention this to Dean as we both talked about him a lot, too. Otto Schnellbacher has a cousin, Harvey Schnellbacher, who just graduated from here. He looks like good future timber for K.U. - was especially good in the hurdles and basketball.

We have certainly missed good ol' Kansas heat. Our average temperature here has been about 65 this summer. We wear our blue woolen uniforms all the time because it is chilly otherwise. Lucy is very pleased with the weather here - she has just mentioned to me that hay fever season has already started back home and she has no signs of it here at all.

Several officers have been getting transferred to the Middle West. Who knows, maybe my orders will come next, however, we hope they wait until the summer is over - the heat would probably kill me.

Give our best regards to Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Hulteen, Henry, Dean and the rest of the staff and keep those letters coming, Doc. They're a good morale builder.

Sincerely yours,
Mussay From

Dear Dr. Allew: I eertainly did enjoy your letter to the men in service "from K.U. The idea was a good one and went over with a bong" as for as I am concerned. When you get so many, many miles from home a letter from some one in the home front-really, is a extra ordinary event. That's Just my way of saying count me in on your

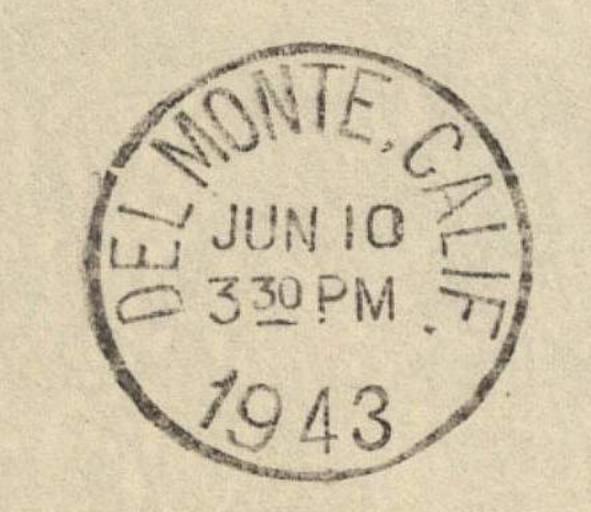
mett letter. my experiences are mounting in regard to different types of athletic instruction and Sam almost am integrated physical belue. instructor as a result. Since Dam a platoon officer I assist the attaletice officers in the instruction of my platom. They have two sports of with instruction in each a week. The following sports are taken up. Box my, Wrestling, sevenning, hand-to-hand, bashet bale, foot ball, tumbling, track and soccer. We have competition every afternoon I really enjoy cooching societ and have very good success so fare

Ernie Vanek writes he has received his com- (2) mission as au Eurign, as has Elmer Schaaber and hunder of others in Kausas. They worth regret it one lik and south kelp luch learn something that benefit them greatly in the future. If you keep enlorging at K.U. as result of havy it may be the Bureau will transfer me book to good "ole" K.U. That would certainly be another goodbreak for me. However, I'd like to get some sea duty first. It doesnit seem night that you could be in the navy and not get sea duty, yet it is very possible in

Song not to have answered your letter some but I quero I am just a lung. Man.

Your my bush has regarde to all the new in the dept. and especially mrs. Hulten. I hope to be a constant visitor in those parts when me get this war over.

Sin enely "neuray" Brown L'is. naval Pre-Alight Felo. Del Monte, Cacifi



Dr. Formest C. Allan University of Kaussa Laurence, Kaussa Mr. F. R. Bennett, Bennett Creamery, Ottawa, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Bennett:

Strange as it may seem, the other day when someone wanted to berrow a water centainer from us we went to our storeroom to get a milk can we had there and found a Bennett Creamery can, No. 39.

If your driver will step by my effice in Rebinson Gymnasium he may get it. I don't know how it ever get in our storeroom, but here it is.

Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Ceach.



THE BENNETT CREAMERY CO.

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OTTAWA, KANSAS

October 7, 1942

Dr. F. C. Allen Physical Director Kansas University Lawrence, Kansas

BUTTER

CONDENSED MILK

Thanks a lot for calling me today and reporting the six Bennett cans at the Lawrence Country Club.

I will have a truck pick those up today so they won't get in the Douglas County scrap drive.

Franklin County wants to give Douglas a cleaning on this drive and it was very sportsmanlike for you to report these cans to me instead of sending them in.

Thanking you again and with kind personal regards.

Yours very truly,

THE BENNETT CREAMERY CO.

Vice-Pres.

FRB/fk

Mr. F. R. Bennett, Ottuwe, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Bennett:

We never had any idea of accepting two bits from anybody for doing the decent thing, and when we saw the name of Bennett on those cans my first idea was to get them back to you. That will be my procedure in the future, but I didn't really realize that the dairies here were doing to you apparently what they have been doing.

Those cans have been out at the Country Club for over two years and the only way I discovered them was when I helped Mrs. Anderson dig out the old scrap metal, and we found them stored away.

It is a great pleasure for us to be able to be of some service occasionally. Hereafter if we see any Bennett Creamery cans we will notify you pronto. You have been such a fine football and basketball fan that we are glad to do our Boy Scout duty.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

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BUTTER

CONDENSED MILK



THE BENNETT CREAMERY CO.

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OTTAWA, KANSAS

October 14, 1942

Dr. Forrest C. Allen Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Forrest C.:

Regarding your letter of the 13th relative to one of our empty cans in Robinson Gymnasium. I have asked my son, Ransom Jr., K. U. student, to pick up this can and return the first chance.

The three Lawrence milk plants have always been very liberal in scattering our cans over Douglas County. They have good plants, are fine fellows and excellent operators but in the matter of can dispersal for us has been more than liberal. Times are prosperous now and maybe they will purchase a supply - if they can.

We usually pay two bits a can for can spotters. We picked up seven at the Lawrence Country Club so rightfully owe you two dollars. Shall I send check or just purchase six or eight basketball season tickets?

Kind personal regards.

Yours very truly,

THE BENNETT CREAMERY CO.

per 7.8.182

Vice-Pres.

FRB/fk

Dr. Earle G. Brown, 31 Long Drive, Hempstead, New York.

Dear Dr. Brown:

I am answering a lot of letters that I received in January and February. Isn't that terrible? Well, an honest confession is good for the soul, and I am confessing honestly.

I certainly would liked to have seen you in New York when we had a successful season. I remember two years ago you were saddened by the events that happened in your home, and we were beaten by Fordham. You of course could not be with us on that occasion, and I was hoping that we would see you this year. But I understand how difficult it is to get away, under so many strenuous circumstances. When you neglect your fishing and your baseball, then I know there is something wrong.

Congratulate Richard for me when you write him. He may be over in North Africa now. Who knows? And to think that Josephine is taking nursing in New York. I can't imagine that they grow up that rapidly.

Bobby is making progress on his junior year at Pennsylvania and seems to be getting along nicely indeed. He was home for a week during the first week in April, but had to hurry back. Eleanor is graduating with a major in psychology at Pennsylvania in early June. Mrs. Allen is going back, but the way my work is shaped I am afraid that I can't make it.

School work here is rather unusual in that we are having a large number of Naval cadets and other Navy enlisted men who are required to take physical conditioning, and we have to give it to them because the Mavy personnel is undermanmed at present. Also we have a group of medics coming in who will be required to take physical conditioning. Our new term opens on May 24th and all students entering the University who are not draft rejects will be required to take the work. So our undermanmed department will have to hit the ball rather strenuously.

Last week I was elected president of Rotary for the coming year. This will entail added duties, but I will do the best I can to handle it.

I am sending you a copy of a letter that I have written to

the "K" men in the service. This will give you the dope on the basketball team as Fred Ellsworth has written it, and some of the personal sidelights.

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I appreciate your writing me and I wish for you and yours the very best of health, happiness and success.

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Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

EARLE G. BROWN, M. D. 31 LONG DRIVE HEMPSTEAD, NEW YORK

February 28, 1943.

Dear Doctor Allen:

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Congratulations to you and the team on another Conference Championship. While I did not learn the KU-OU Friday night score until yesterday afternoon had felt sure that the outcome would be favorable.

Have not seen any basketball in three years, although Hofstra College here in Hempstead has had a fine team this year. Was very much disappointed when I was unable to get in and see you trim Fordham last month but had a meeting here which I had to attend. Of course I was also pleased when you trimmed Fordham.

Have been so very busy, especially the past few months, that I have had little time for outside activities. Only saw about a half dozen baseball games last Summer, but saw most of the profootball games, of which I am very fond. In addition to my duties with the health department am very much tied up with emergency medical services in Civilian Protection. As a matter of fact I had to neglect my fishing last summer, and when that occurs you know I am busy.

Richard has been in the army since last May and is at present in Camp Wheeler, Georgia. He was promoted to corporal, admitted to Infantry Officer's School and arrived at Fort Benning two weeks ago. However, a group of about 80 of them were sent over to Wheeler where they will have a month of review and then go back and finish at Fort Benning.

Josephine entered Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in New York City last August; finished her probationary period the 29th of January and is now in her "freshman" year. At present she has classes four hours a day and is on wards an equal number of hours. She likes her work very much.

With Richard away it has been very nice to have Josephine so near as we get back and forth frequently. Either I go into the city once a week or Josephine comes out here and that helps pass the time. At present am getting ready to move into an apartment at the end of the week, as I feel lost in this large house and also the fuel problem has been very acute.

With kind regards.

Sincerely,

Earle G. Brown

LEE P. BENTON 37 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE CHESTNUT HILL, MASSACHUSETTS

REPRESENTING
HALLMARK CARDS

June 9, 1943

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Doc:

Many thanks for your recent letter. I think the letter you are getting out for the boys in the service is quite interesting and should be appreciated by the boys.

I imagine the enclosed clipping is old stuff to you by now as no doubt many of your friends have mailed you the same column long before now. I was just wondering if McBride had any comment to make about it in the Star.

I have met this Bill Cunningham and have become quite friendly with himmsince he plays some golf at the same club to which I belong. He gets a great kick out of stirring up intersectional arguments, especially about the respective merits of various football teams. He tells me that a couple of years ago when he wrote an article razzing the Univ. of Nebraska Rose Bowl football team he received almost 7,000 letters from Nebraska supporters, and some of the letters came as late as a year after he wrote the original article.

I took in the various basketball tournaments in New York during March and saw some dandy games. The eastern teams have come a long way in the past few years, don't you think? However, Wyoming was too good for them and I was glad to see a western team win the grand finale. I spent an afternoon and evening with Elizabeth Dunkel MacCurdy in New York and we had a grand time talking over old times at K. U.

Thanks for your advice in regard to playing basketball. I may be in a tougher game before long because I am going to try for a commission in the navy.

Best regards to all of you.

Sincerely yours,

Lee