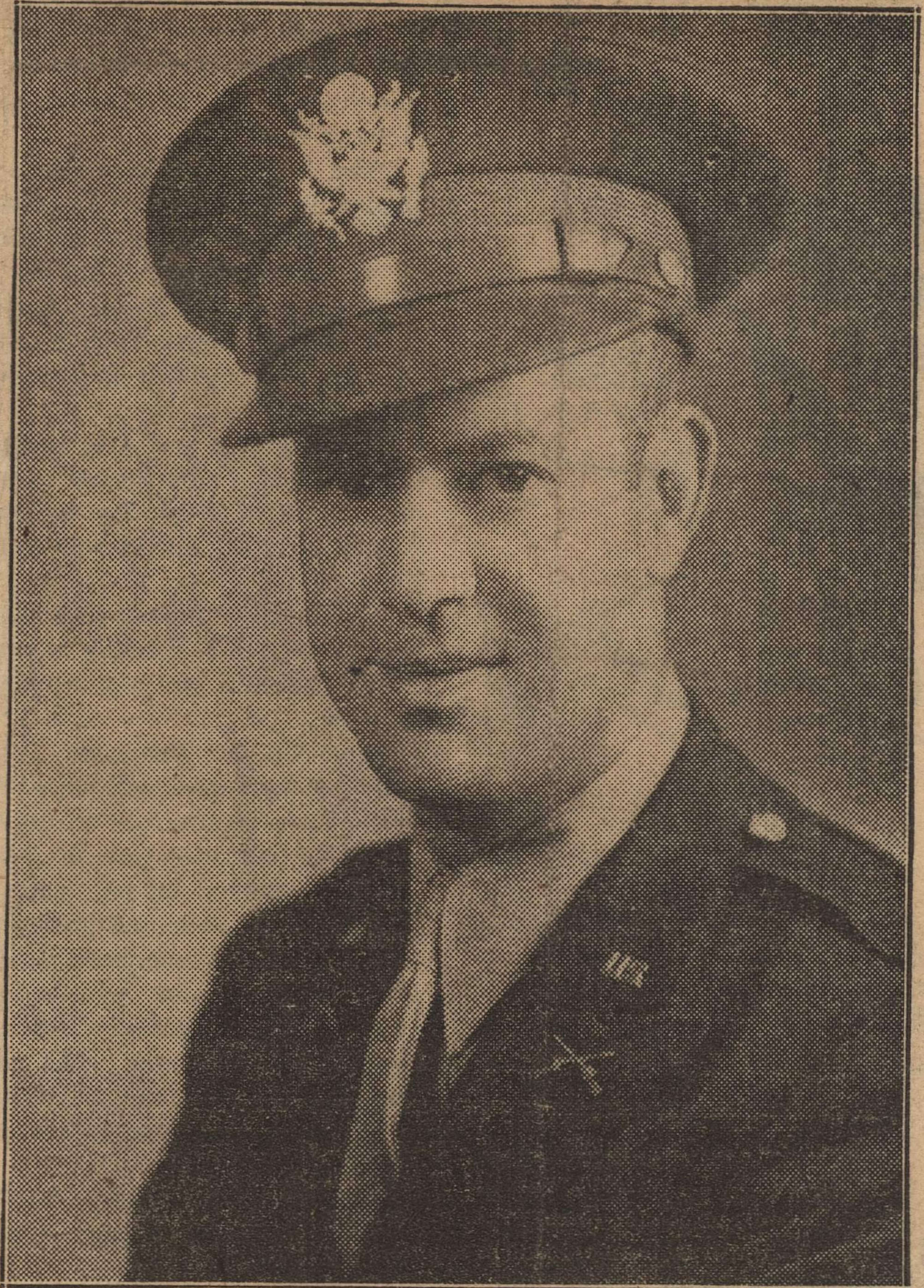




Wayne Nels

KILLED IN ACTION.



LIEUT. CHARLES WAYNE NEES.

Brazil Man Receives Posthumous Decoration For Hero Son.

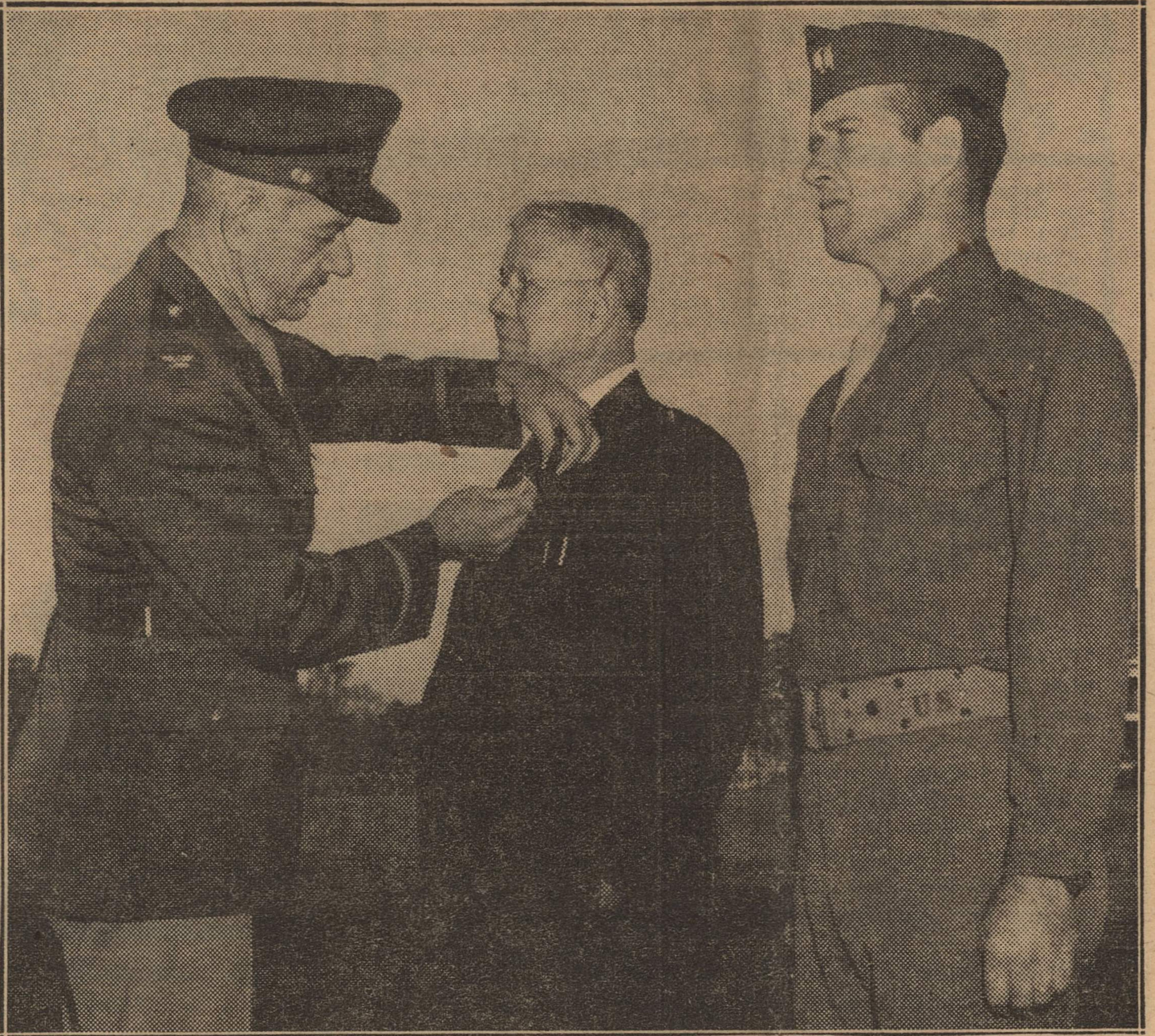


Photo by Cpl. Thurgood, U. S. A. Signal Corps.

" For gallantry in action in Massacre Valley, Attu Island, on the 16th of May, 1943." By order of Brigadier General A. V. Arnold, commanding.

Alonzo B. Nees of Brazil, Indiana is shown here receiving the Army's Silver Star for his son, 2nd Lt. Charles Wayne Nees, who was killed by the Japanese while attempting to rescue his platoon sergeant. Presenting the medal is Colonel Henry E. Tisdale (left), now commanding Fort Benjamin Harrison. Mr. Nees was escorted to the stand by Captain Robert Patterson (right). The citation was read by Captain C. E. Lyon.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Nees and their four remaining sons reviewed the troops of the Air Corps Provisional Training Battalion.



December 29, 1943.

Mrs. A. B. Nees,
Brazil, Indiana.

Dear Mrs. Nees:

I find that I have failed to acknowledge receipt of this lovely snapshot of Wayne. Thank you so much for the same. I am going to have it enlarged and hang it in my office.

One of our former basketball captains, Charlie Black, is now director of personnel for the Illinois-Owen plant at Toledo, and Alton, Illinois, was Charlie Black's home before he entered the University of Kansas. Certainly we could have arranged it without any difficulty in having him transferred from West Virginia to Alton.

I know how Wayne loved the University, and he was much beloved here by all of his fellows.

Trusting that your philosophy and your faith are sufficient unto the day, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Brazil, Ind.

Nov. 16 - 1943.

Mr. Forest G. Allen

Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Sir:-

Am enclosing
a snap shot of Wayne, which
was taken on Sunday, ^{Nov. 29-1942} after
he graduated from Infantry
School at Ft. Benning, Ga. This
picture was taken in front
of Owens: Illinois Plant in
Charleston, W. Va. by one of his
co-workers, who has sent
us a number of the pictures.

We are very grateful to
you for your thoughtfulness
in sending the Jay Hawk

Rebounds to us. We enjoy them
as H.U. was so dear to Wayne.
Just before he entered service
he had hopes of being transferred
from W. Va. plant to Altam, Ill.
He said, "more than I'll be half
way between home and Lawrence
Kansas."

Thanks again for remember-
ing us.

Sincerely,

Mrs A. P. Nees.

June 30, 1944.

Mr. George Nettels, Vice President,
Pittsburg Midway Coal Mining Co.,
Pittsburg, Kansas.

Dear George:

Doubtless I told Mrs. Hulteen in the rush of things that a boy would be deferred six months. That was a mistake. If I said that, I meant six weeks. Dr. Woodruff's prognosis is more favorable than mine.

We are also deferring all farmers' sons who are working on the farm until August 21 on account of the agriculture. The tendency, of course, is to take 18 year old boys because we are not taking anyone above 26 years of age unless they are no good for anything else, and that is the pressure level. The services do not want anyone above that limit so that puts a heavy pressure on the 18 year old boys.

For any of these boys to be deferred they must have a 42A Special and the State Director is the only one who may pass on it, so you see it is rough.

You have George Timmons and the other boys come in and see me. I will be glad to help them every way possible, but as I said, the local board at your place will have the final decision. The boys could take their pre-induction physicals up here, but the call would come from Pittsburg.

By the way, you are entitled to extreme congratulations. John Mee saw me on the street and said you were elected vice president of the Kansas Engineering Society. That is some "punkins". Father George will be president next year. Congrats, old fellow, and best wishes!

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FOA:AH

June 26, 1944.

Mr. George E. Nettels, Vice President,
Pittsburg Midway Coal Mining Company,
Pittsburg, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Nettels:

Dr. Allen read your letter of June 24 before he left the office, and asked me to tell you that he will write you very soon.

As a member of the local Draft Board, it has been Dr. Allen's observation that after a boy becomes 18 years of age it is usually six months before he is inducted. The policy of the board at Pittsburg might be different, however.

Dr. Laurence Woodruff, the Registrar, offers the following suggestion. If a boy is called for induction before the end of a semester he is eligible for fee refunds and credit according to the amount of work completed. It is his experience that it takes a minimum of sixty days after a boy reaches 18, before he is inducted, and quite often the time is ninety days.

Since the regular sixteen-weeks semester, beginning July 3rd, ends on October 21, Dr. Woodruff feels it is highly probable that George Timmons would be able to complete the semester.

I am sure that Dr. Allen will write you in a few days.

Sincerely yours,

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Secretary to Dr. Forrest C. Allen

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The Pittsburg & Midway Coal Mining Co.

Pittsburg, Kansas

GEO. E. NETTELS,
VICE PRESIDENT

June 24, 1944.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Doc:

This is in line with the subject I discussed with you sometime ago with reference to some of the kids coming up from Pittsburg, starting to school the first of July.

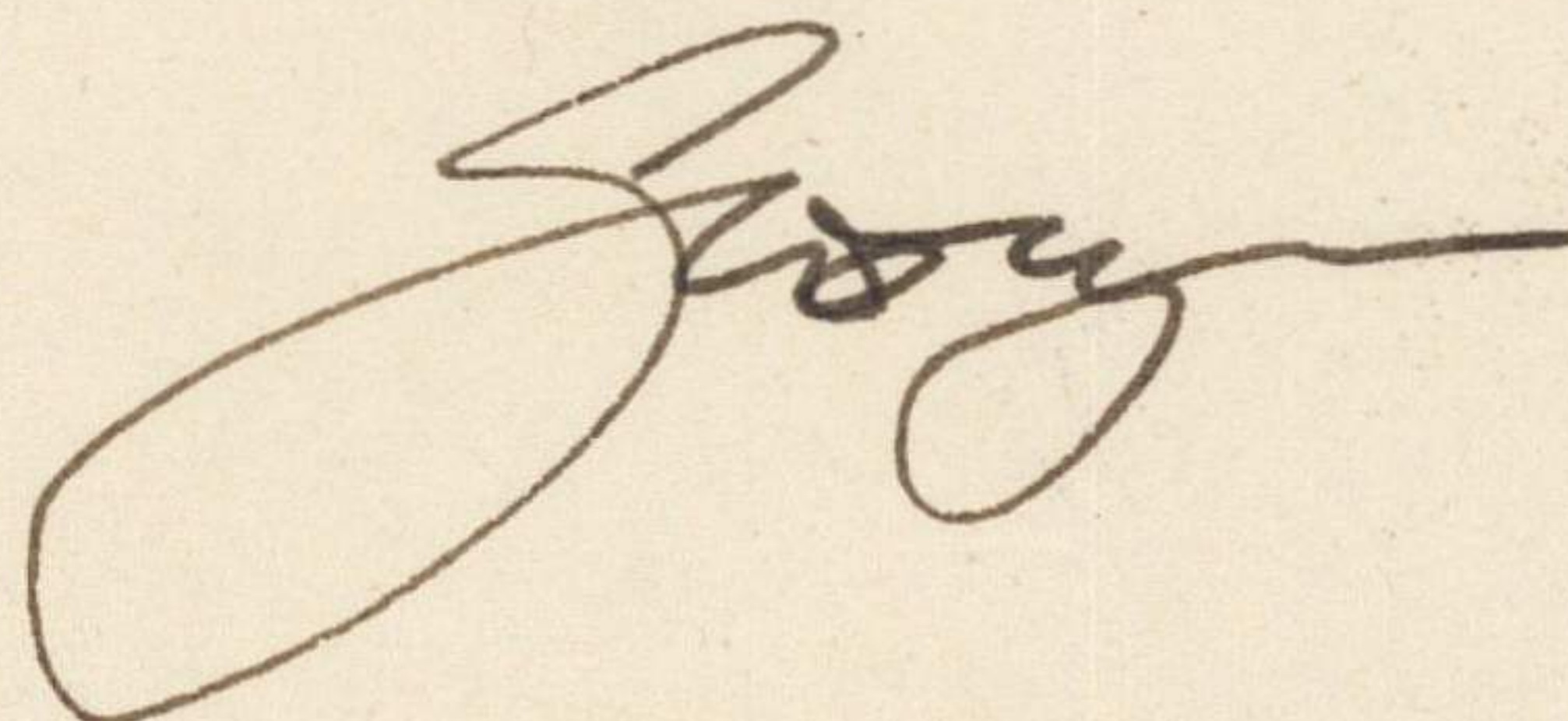
One of the boys, George Timmons, will be 18 the 10th. of August. He plans to start to school on the first of July semester and what he would like to know is about what his prospects are for finishing the semester that closes along about November 1st. He has the option of enrolling in either the complete semester or an eight weeks short course which is complete in itself. What he is concerned about is that he doesn't want to tackle the full semester and then be called out and not get any credit at all for the work he had done.

I know you can't foresee the regulations and instructions, but at the present time how soon would a boy be called out who had to register August 10th., and does the draft board have any latitude in assigning inductees after they have been examined and accepted for military service.

I would appreciate any information you can give me so I can pass it on and I'll treat the information you might give me with the greatest of care.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially,



GEN:OM

Print the complete address in plain block letters in the panel below, and your return address in the space provided. Use typewriter, dark ink, or pencil. Write plainly. Very small writing is not suitable.

No.

To FORREST C. ALLEN
DIRECTOR OF PHYS. ED.
UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
LAWRENCE, KANSAS.

From

John P. Naramore
118 P.D.6, P.P.O. # 520
(Sender's address)

C/O PM, N.Y., N.Y.

Jan 16, 1943
(Date)

John P. Naramore
(CENSOR'S STAMP)

Dear Doc,

Italy

Received the October 30th issue of your "Rebounds" and it was a dandy. Thanks for putting me on the mailing list. Yours is a splendid information sheet and was beyond interesting to hear what the fellows are doing.

I guess most of the N.Y. fellows are in the Pacific. I saw Art Hartman about a year ago over in Africa but he is about the only one from N.Y. I've seen.

Have little time for organized athletics as we play nursemaid to trucks seven days a week. Finally got up a little football league and I was given the dubious honor of head linesman. It had been so long since I had had any contact with the game that it took me a half to figure out what was going on. Guess I didn't pay enough attention from where I "sat" at all the games when I was in collitch.

Good luck to your team this season and keep the "Rebounds" coming. John Naramore

V - MAIL

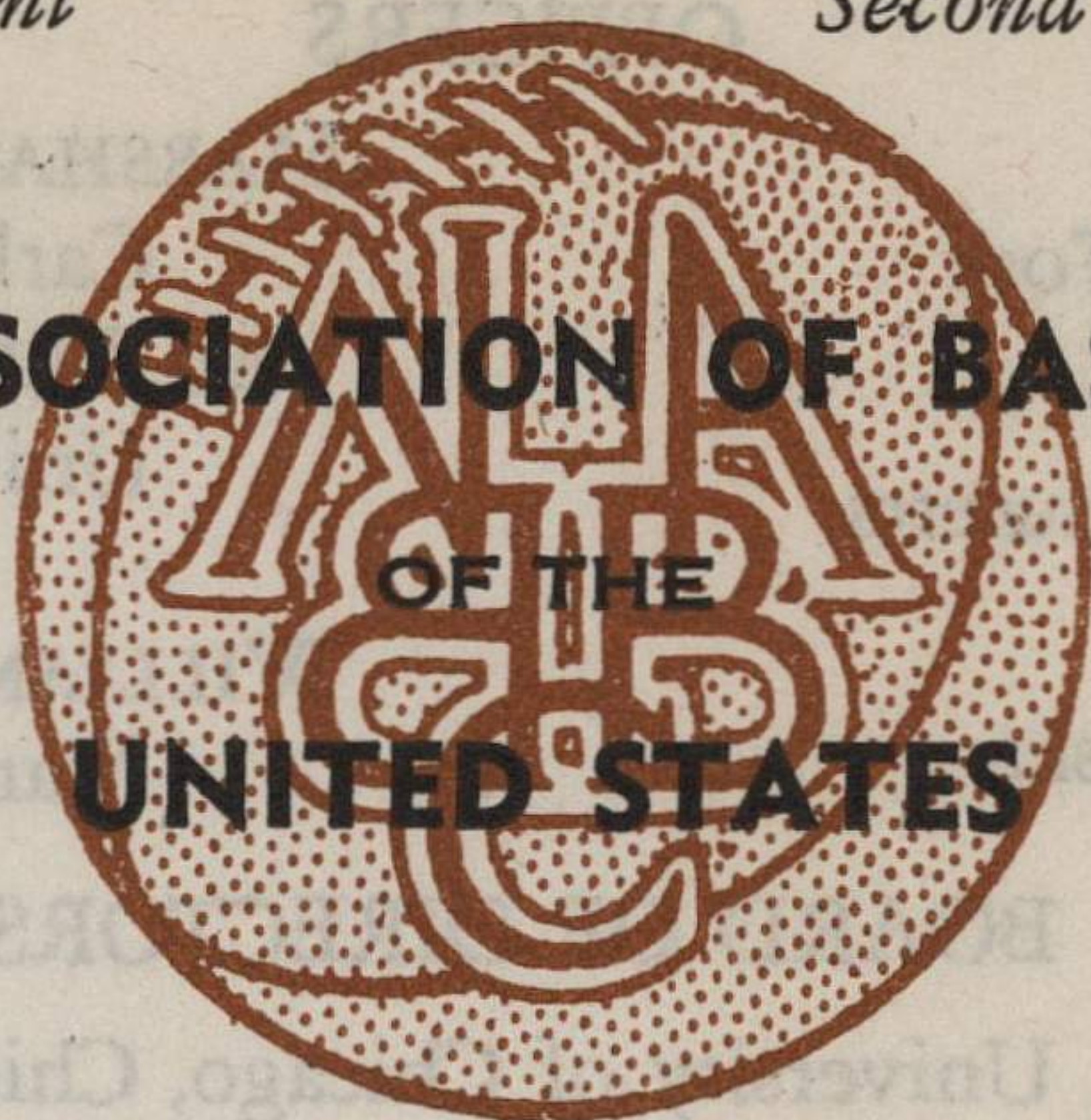
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THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BASKETBALL COACHES



VAL LENTZ, Secretary-Treasurer

WILLIAM CHANDLER, Bulletin Editor

January, 1944

Hi Phil!!
Dear Coach:

Greetings and Good Wishes for the New Year!

Here are the minutes of the meeting of last March, 1943. The substitute secretary craves your indulgence for late mailing. He has no secretary. He had intended to get these out early in December to catch the resurgent interest in basketball.

Note suggestions for experimentation--to which might be added the net of steel wire put out at \$12.00 per pair by Joseph Bennett of 20 Richards Street, Worcester, Massachusetts. These are indestructible, look always the same, do not mar ball covering, require no care, and are already serving a fifth season on many courts in this area.

Both the Coaches' Association and the Rules Committee feel that this is a good time to try out suggestions concerning rule changes or material. But please make a report of all these either to H. W. Read for the Research Committee or to the acting secretary. Guillion and Lentz are in service.

Will you also write in any suggestions you may have as to what the Association should or may do to further the usefulness of the organization during the war period. More than half its membership are in uniform and the remainder are a part of the service programs in their own schools.

What should the Executive Committee be planning? Send in any ideas you have or hear about--every one of them,--so we can be ready for that much discussed "postwar" period. Write in those comments.

Best of luck!

EJH/al

Edward J. Hickox

P.S.

If you are the new coach, note these suggestions before sending the minutes on to our member. Send in \$2.00 for a "duration" membership for yourself.

EJH

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THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BASKETBALL COACHES

1943 March Meeting 1943

Early in February President Edward Kelleher wrote to the officers of the Association and to the members of the executive committee explaining his contact with certain Government Bureaus and their request that the Association should not have a convention during the year 1943.

The replies from the coaches to his letter led Mr. Kelleher to call for a meeting of as many as possible of the officers and committee men for the transaction of necessary business.

This meeting was set for March 29 and 30. These were the two dates at which the finals of the National Invitation and the N.C.A.A. basketball tournaments were to be run off in Madison Square Garden.

The first meeting, set for Monday, March 29, was announced over the loud speaker at the semi-final games on Saturday evening with an invitation to all visiting basketball coaches to join in on a general get-together Monday afternoon at the Belvedere Hotel, just across 49th Street from the Garden.

A dozen or more coaches were assembled when President Kelleher called them to order and during the rather informal first hour another dozen came. All were members or became members before leaving. These coaches were in New York to see the various double-headers.

President Kelleher announced that Captain Val Lentz, our Secretary-Treasurer, had been, rather suddenly, sent West with the Army and hence could not be present. Howard Hobson was appointed temporary secretary and the meeting was addressed by the President who welcomed those present and explained the reasons for omitting the convention. He reported on the suggestions that had come in through the mail. He also asked all present to join in on the discussions. While these could not be official, they could be very helpful in aiding the committee in its formal actions of the next day.

The first topic was "What shall we do about officers for next year?" Lambert suggested that present officers continue their duties. Where this cannot be done, that temporary appointments be made, from Executive Committee if possible. If not, then by

Executive Committee from available members with past experience.

Suggestion was made by President Kelleher that the Executive Committee meeting the next day be attended by those ex-presidents of the Association who were present. This found general favor.

The next topic taken up was Rules.

There seemed a practically unanimous sentiment for a "no-change for the duration" attitude. This was made more definite when the report was received that sixty percent of the replies from card questionnaires also said "freeze the rules for the duration".

The sentiment then prevailed that now is a fine time to experiment with modification of rules and equipment so that at our next meetings we may have a definite date to direct our conclusions.

Certain rules then came up for discussion.

1. "Goal tending" giants whose whole activity on defense is to bat away potential basket making shots were felt to be definitely undesirable in such a role. Perhaps there should be legislation to penalize this specialized form of "defense."
2. Unlimited substitutions came in for rather full discussion. We are likely to be definitely short of replacements during the war and perhaps we should allow greater freedom in substituting. There was sentiment expressed that such freedom would be abused for purposes of stalling.
3. Personal foul increase--There was fairly general feeling that the "four personals" should be changed to "five personals," because the game has definitely a longer playing time now and particularly because during this war period we are likely to be very short on substitutes. Also some felt that audiences hated to see the stars ousted. Also the penalty sometimes seemed very heavy for the particular foul called.
4. "Three second" rule-- Some feeling that this is no longer needed as contact fouls are much more quickly called than formerly. Also that games are rather frequently interrupted by calling this violation to the puzzlement and discontent of the audience and to the bewilderment, and disruption of offensive actions, of the player called. Suggestion was made that more uniformity in interpretation is desirable.
5. Backboards-- Tony Hinkle reported his Great Lakes Naval team had run across eight different kinds of backboards in

their competition. He suggested we need approach to uniformity. After further full discussion, sentiment gathered for approval of the 4 x 6 rectangular backboard for colleges. The sentiment was strongly expressed that with transparent material such as glass or plastic all the advantages claimed for the fan-shaped board would really be present in the rectangular. Further the rectangular board would still retain all its own advantages over the fan-shaped. There was expressed also the feeling that we should be getting experimental data on backboards this year so that after the war we could recommend a board of proven quality, service, and satisfaction.

6. Baskets-- Following the suggestion of experimentation with backboards came also one to get a basket of heavier material and less vibration than is now allowed by the rules. Hinkle and Lonborg suggested the basket put out by the J. E. Porter Company as a good type. The ring instead of being made of a cylindrical bar is made of an oval shaped bar thereby giving a greater degree of rigidity and permanence.
7. Nets-- After a discussion of nets the opinion crystalized that probably a net made of #120 thread string is better than one made of the lighter materials required by the rules. Such nets do not normally flop up and stay across the rings. Also nets of this heavier material when made somewhat hour-glass shaped tend to check the ball momentarily on the way through and make the passage obvious. The medium length type seems preferential. Such a net is sold by the Athletic Supply Company of 330 Superior Street, Toledo, Ohio as well as by others. This is something to try out for the coming season.

All these discussions and suggestions were presented to the Executive Committee the next day and the actions thereon are included in a report to the editor of the Rules Book. That report is included in these minutes.

The next order of business was the discussion of the award made annually by the Association to that person doing the most for basketball. President Kelleher called for suggestions which might be carried to the Executive meeting the next day. Lambert proposed that the award be made to Mrs. Keogan in honor of George and his many years of fine service to the youth under his tutelage, and his professional contributions to the Association and helpful guidance to its membership. This suggestion was fully and feelingly seconded by all present.

After some further discussion of general topics, the meeting adjourned so that all could get dinner and be back at the Garden for the final games of the Invitation Tournament between St. John and Toledo and for third place between Fordham and W. & J.

President Kelleher announced that the Executive Committee meeting would be Tuesday morning at 11:00 A.M. in Hotel Belvedere,

OFFICIAL MEETING

The meeting of the officers, ex-officers, and Executive Committee of the National Association of Basketball coaches held Tuesday, March 30, 1943, was the official meeting called in lieu of the annual convention.

This took place at Hotel Belvedere, 49th Street near Broadway, New York City, 11 A.M. in Room 919 and brought together: E. A. Kelleher, President; E. J. Hickox, First Vice-President; Howard Hokon, Director; Hec Edmundson, Tony Hinkle, Nat Holman, Ward Lambert, Dutch Lonborg, H. G. Olson, Don White, Former officers and Committee chairmen.

First action was relative to officers for coming year. It was moved that officers not being called to service continue to act. Where new officers seemed necessary to replace those called to service, appoint from Board of Directors or former incumbents to fill these positions.

During absence of Val Lentz, E. J. Hickox to carry on duties of secretary-treasurer. It would seem that responsibility for new appointments should fall upon Kelleher, Hickox, and Hobson.

Opinion was unanimous that for the duration we should keep the Association going as strongly as possible but without elections or conventions. The various committees are to continue to function as they best can.

The session was a long one including lunch and broke up only toward evening when all were planning to attend the double header.

The various informal actions of Monday were brought up and thoroughly gone over and then voted upon. These have been reported as of Monday's meeting or in the summary sheet included herein.

The Posthumus Award to George Keogan was made at the finals of the tournaments.

The committee voted:

I. To approve the action of the National Rules Committee toward keeping the rules unchanged for the year 1943-44.

II. To request the Editor of the rules to incorporate in the proper place an expression of the hope of the coaches that this may be a year of experimentation--with rules and with types of equipment. This experimentation to be undertaken by accredited associations, conferences and leagues, as well as by individual institutions. This to the end that future recommendations and legislation may be based on ideas thoroughly tried out.

III. To express disapproval of the use, defensively, of the excessively tall man in the role of "goal tender."

Penalties should be devised, if necessary, for "batting away" balls which are above the basket height and appear certain to enter the basket.

- IV. To express approval for a change from four to five as the number of personal fouls causing removal of a player during the regular forty minutes of play. (Increased playing time without center jump and fewer substitutes during war period.)
- V. To advocate a move toward decreasing the number of trips to the foul line. Possibly by reclassification of some fouls into violations.
- VI. To suggest serious consideration of:
- a) 3 second rule (Probably still desirable)
 - b) 10 second rule (Questionable)
 - c) Massed zoned defense (Undesirable)
- VII. To go on record as:
- a) Preferring for the colleges, (believing there is a distinct movement in that direction) a rectangular backboard four feet by six of material transparent except for a white border at least two inches wide.
 - b) Suggesting the hoop be somewhat heavier and more nearly rigid than present type allowed. When used with the transparent backboard, should be painted orange.
 - c) Suggesting nets be made of number 120 thread, white cord, and woven in such hour-glass shape as to check momentarily the ball on its way through. Length of the net Medium.

E. A. Kelleher, President
Coach, Fordham University

E. J. Hickox, Acting Secretary
Springfield College

March 11, 1944.

Dr. Bert Nash,
A.S.T.P. Administrator,
University of Kansas.

Dear Dr. Nash:

I regret that it will be impossible for me to attend the A.S.T.P. luncheon Tuesday noon, March 14, as I am to speak at the Kiwanis Club in Independence, Missouri, on that day.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

cc - Col. McMorris

DR. D. M. NIGRO
SUITE 512 ARGYLE BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MO.

April 6th, 1944.

Order Refused

Dr. Forest Allen,
Lawrence, Kansas.

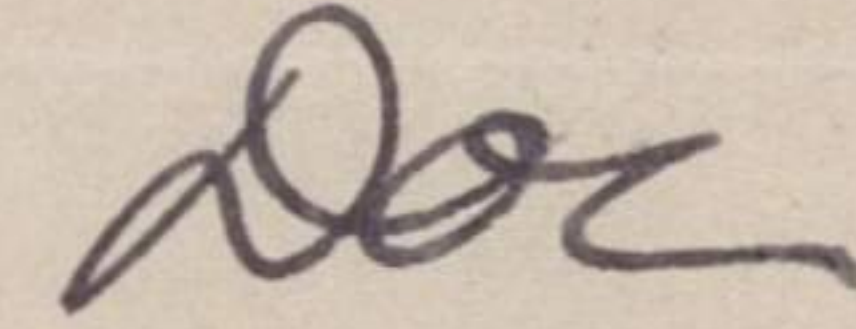
Dear Dr. Allen:

The Annual Fathers and Sons Banquet of the De La Salle ^(Military)
Academy will be held on April 13th, at 6:30 P.M. at the
Academy.

Would like to have you as principal speaker, and would
appreciate your calling collect or wiring collect whether
or not you can accept.

Kindest personal regards.

Yours very truly,



D. M. Nigro, M.D.

dmn:ds

*Regrets -
by phone*

ARMY SPECIALIZED TRAINING PROGRAM
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OFFICE OF THE
UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATOR

Feb. 9, 1944

My dear Phog:

I want to thank you for the courtesy
of bringing the ball to Bob. He is thrilled with
it and the fact that it came from you.

I hope that you will still be
in there coaching when he gets to college. He
may not be big enough to make the team, but he
is going to try.

Sincerely,

Bert A. Nash

January 13, 1944.

Mr. J. E. Nicklin,
Kansas City Terminal,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Nicklin:

Thank you very much for sending me the pass. Will you also give my thanks to Mr. B. J. Duffy, and tell him I greatly appreciate the same?

With best wishes, I am

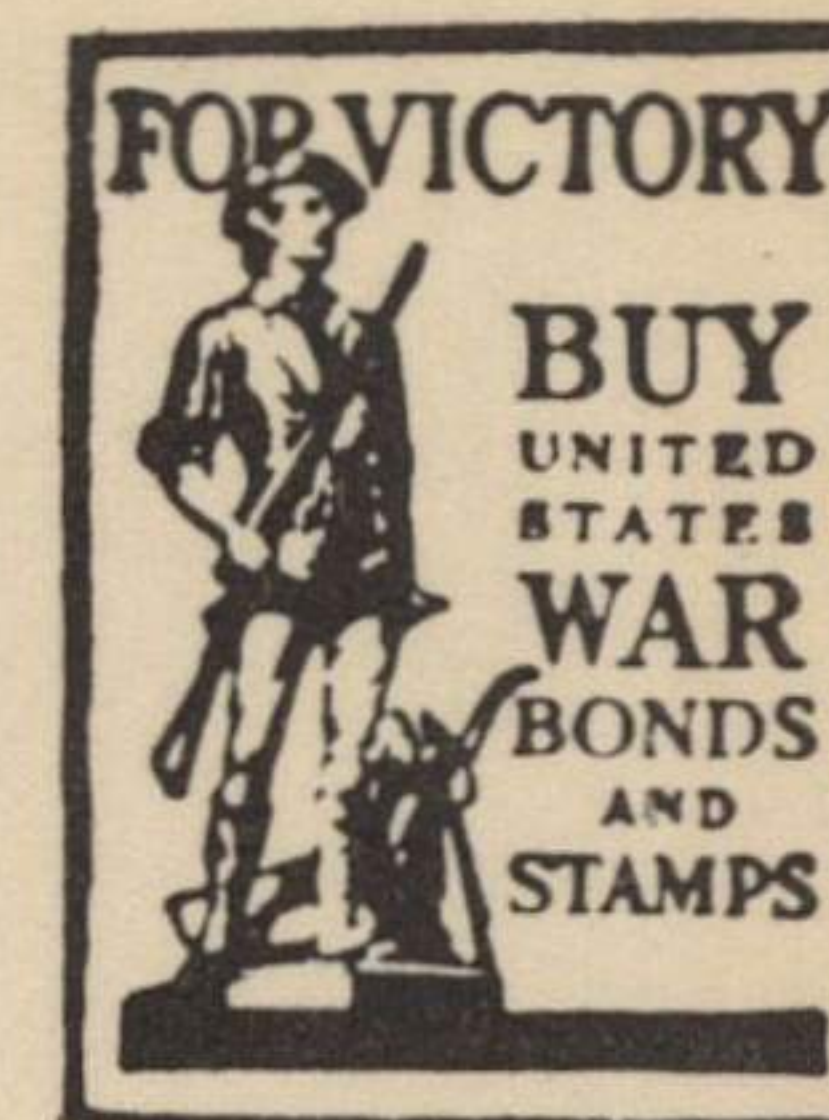
Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Address Reply to:
The Office of Naval Officer Procurement,
Second Floor, Finance Building,
1009 Baltimore Ave., Kansas City 6, Missouri,
and not to the signer of this letter.

BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL
NAVY DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF NAVAL OFFICER PROCUREMENT
KANSAS CITY 6, MISSOURI



REFER TO NO.

NOPKC-gc

13 January 1944

Dear Dr. Allen:

Reference: George William NOLAND
Applicant for commission, U. S. NAVAL RESERVE

In placing this important matter before you, it is sincerely regretted that a personal letter cannot be sent, but to do so would make it necessary to divert energy now focused on other wartime duties.

The conscientious thought given your reply to this request may affect the welfare and safety of many men, as the man about whom we are writing may eventually be in a position of command. Therefore, the requested information is of more than usual significance.

Please tell us in detail what you can about this applicant. For your convenience we have enclosed a form which covers the essential items upon which information is desired. It would contribute to our appraisal of the applicant if you would place your answers below the questions on the enclosed sheet.

A return envelope is enclosed. Your reply will be kept in strictest confidence and will have an important bearing on the final decision. Please accept our thanks for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

F. D. Kelly

F. D. KELLY
Lieutenant (jg), USNR

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

November 19, 1943

Mr. C. W. Anderson, Regional Director
Federal Works Agency, Region VI
13th Floor - Court House
St. Paul, 2, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Anderson:

On October 6, we mailed to you two resolutions passed by our Board of Education. One was an acceptance for the Nursery School contract, 14-M-47, extending the time to December 31, 1943. The other resolution had to do with the cancellation of the M & O contract, 14-M-26. To date you have not acknowledged receipt of either of the communications. I presume that they met the requirements of your office and were acceptable.

In a previous letter I informed you that the University of Kansas was taking the responsibility for conducting the Nursery School. The authorities at the University are in favor of making the application directly from their office for the continuance of that contract, effective January 1, 1944. This action would meet with the approval of our Board of Education.

Will you please tell us whether this arrangement meets with the approval of your office and if so, how should we proceed?

Very sincerely yours,

Clifford D. Dean

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November 23, 1943.

Mrs. Lloyd Nichols,
Route 1,
Eureka, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Nichols:

I regret that we do not have literature on Recreation for distribution, but I am glad to refer you to the monthly magazine, "Recreation", which you will doubtless find at your public library. Also, if you will write to the National Recreation Association, 315 Fourth Avenue, New York City, and ask for their bulletins I am sure that you would obtain some very valuable material.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr. Forrest C. Allen
my
Lawrence Kous
Leavenworth
Kansas

11/20/43

~~Dear Sir:~~

Could you please send me
your free literature on Recreation
to be used in our Townway P. I. A.
Thank you.

Yours Sincerely,
Mrs Lloyd Nichols
Eureka Kansas
Route 1