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Mr. Forrest C. Allen,
Athletic Department,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:-

I am writing to tell you of a wire just received yesterday from the War Department advising us that my son, Charles Wayne Nees, was killed in action in the North American area on May 18th last.

We have no further details, but presume that his death occurred in the Attu drive in the Aleutians. He was graduated from the Infantry School as a 2nd Lieutenant in November 1942 and had been at Fort Ord, California until about the first of April.

Since Wayne, or "Gus" as he was known on your campus, held such dear memories of his associations in basket-ball and track when he was at Lawrence from 1935-40 I would like for you to see that the University is properly notified for their records. I am today writing his fraternity, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and would appreciate your checking with them to be sure that they get the letter, as I do not know whether they are still in their chapter house ~~or not~~, due to present day disruptions on college campuses.

Also, since Wayne always held Mrs. Naismith formerly Mrs. Kincade in such high regard, if you could advise her we would be deeply appreciative.

Very truly yours,

A. B. Nees.

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