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Oct. 28, 1943

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

Dear Doc:

In checking over my correspondence I discovered that I had neglected to answer your letter of October 6 concerning the desire of George B. Hayes to be ordered to Lawrence after the completion of his work at William Jewell. I am sorry that I overlooked replying for so long. Our old board has been split into two separate entities and the part with which I remained deals only in procurement but nevertheless I think I can arrange to have Hayes sent to Lawrence when it is time for him to move on, which will not be for a couple of months.

The separation of functions almost enabled our friend Jack Gardner to slip one over on me when the last class left Jewell the other day. Fortunately at the last minute I discovered that he had routed all the good football players to Iowa State. By enlisting the help of a friendly officer I was able to shuffle a few cards and as a result two fine backs, Bishop and Miller, reported at Lawrence yesterday. At least these two boys are said to be good.

I have heard some complaints from naval aviation people at Lawrence that for some reason our cadets have not been getting too many breaks from the coaching staff. I find it hard to believe that the coaches would overlook any bet that would enable them to win ball games. I've had enough to do with athletics to know that it is most common to hear certain players or certain groups complain that they have been discriminated against. However, I pass the report on to you for whatever it may be worth.

We are now looking very hard for 17-year-old high school seniors or graduates and superior high school graduates in the 18 to 26 age range. If you have any in mind I'd appreciate it if you would send them over. Our monthly quota of 17-year-olds has just been increased five-fold.

Sincerely,

Ted
Theodore M. O'Leary
Lieut. A-V(S), USNR.