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

Dear Doctor Allen:

Naturally, I was very much interested in the recent news concerning the five members of the Brooklyn College basketball team. I also recall that at various times in the past two or three years, some of the New York sports writers have taken occasion to "snipe" at you on some of your statements concerning gambling on basketball games. Therefore, I was astounded to see in both THE WORLD TELEGRAM, but especially in THE MIRROR, articles which, in effect, commended you. In case you have not seen these, they are enclosed.

Josephine finished her course at Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing on December 20, wrote her State Board examinations the last week in January and returned to Presbyterian on the 2nd of February, where she is on duty in Sloane Maternity Hospital. The day she finished she made application for the Army Nurse Corps and expects to be called to duty about May first.

Richard received his second wound on the 17th of December, this one a shell wound on the left forearm. Apparently there was some involvement of the ulnar nerve as he has been receiving heat treatment and special exercises for the left hand. A letter received this morning, dated February 1st, said that there had been an operation on the 29th of January and some particles of clothing were removed and that the Major had told him he would be in the hospital for another ten days. If the Major's prediction was correct, that would make him 55 days in the hospital this stay and 13 days on his first trip. Apparently he received this wound in fighting in or near Sarreguemines. A telegram from the Adjutant General said that the wound was received in action in Germany.

I have followed the newspaper reports of this year's Big Six Basketball race with the hope that Kansas would again be on top. Other than scores, most of my information comes from one of the Topeka papers and so I am considerably behind on up-to-date news.