

5145 Battimore
K.C. # 2, Mo.
Nov. 5, '44.

Dr. J. C. Allen
Lawrence, Kans.

Dear Dr. Allen,

I'm saying "Ship's Ahoy" to K.C. on Nov 14^{and} am "sailing" to N.Y. for 6 weeks training as an apprentice seaman. That's just one step from being an Admiral. Ha!

K.C. applications reached Wash. too late to be accepted for Officers Tr. Mine and one other were held to see if anyone accepted might not join, in which case we would have been called; but everyone showed up.

I'm not sorry tho. With the rehabilitation program getting started, I'm sure there is a place for me ^{and} I'll probably be able to do more as an enlisted WAVE. Anyway I'm very thrilled about it.

I'll admit, it was hard to turn down some of the swell jobs that have been offered. But I think there'll be jobs for us when this is all over and as long as I have something to offer, I'm happy to be a WAVE. Now, may I have my name on the