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May 31, 1944.

Dear Jane and Hoot:

I have been wanting to sit down and write you a letter in long hand but every time I fail to do it. I was out at Hays, Kansas, speaking to the Class A championship basketball team at the invitation of Norman W. Jeter, 1607 Elm Street. After the speech, Attorney Jeter asked me over to his home. He has a very lovely baby daughter and a splendid wife named Ann Horton Jeter. She told me that she was at Stanford with you and knew you very well. I thought perhaps you would want to drop her a line and say hello. They live in a very lovely little cottage, and Norman Jeter is an outstanding attorney in that small western Kansas metropolis.

Mother returned Sunday night and I drove out to Ethel's after I had finished speaking to the American Legion in Kansas City. I think she had a most pleasant memory of the wonderful visit she had with you very hospitable and affectionate people. Mit is having lunch with her today, and since I do not go home for lunch and since Isabel is out at Salina, her noon hour will be profitably taken up by a young Lawrence barrister.

Last night Mother and I went to see Betty Grable in "Pin-Up Girl". Mother didn't like the blonde! It is the first show that I have been to since they raised the price from 40¢ to 50¢. That has been about three months ago, so you see my Scotch tendencies are still working.

Mother says Hoot hasn't gotten his orders yet, but like all the other expectant fliers is looking for them at any moment. We certainly will be happy to see you come our way, Jane, and we are hoping that Hoot might zoom Lawrence-ward and land on our beautiful municipal airport. We promise him the mayor, the band and everything that goes with quiet and unresourceful Lawrence. Things are so quiet here you can hear your heart beat.

Affectionately,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Mons,  
934 Rolling Pass,  
Glenview, Illinois.



Not much point to this!



Dear Phoggie  
It's so nice

hearing from <sup>you</sup>. you know  
don't you that every letter  
I write to Mimi is equally  
as much for you? But  
whether you do or do not I  
shall now address my  
letters to both you and Mimi.

Phoggie ~~you~~ ~~say~~ you say  
you always bet on me, well  
you should hear the way  
I brag about my grandfather  
the basketball coach in Kansas.

I wish more and more  
each day that you and Mimi  
could come see us in our  
home at Palo Alto.

After I gave you and  
Mom and Dad your love.



now give you and mimi all  
the love that a girl twelve years  
old devoted to her grand  
parents can possibly give.

all my love to you  
and the family,

Wibble Wobble

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P.S. as for the good "grades"  
at my camp I don't know  
how I did it but I do know  
I did it to please my darling  
parents and grandparents.  
Love once more  
Lilly



# The AMERICAN WAR DADS

*This is to certify that*

NAME

SERIAL NO.

BRANCH OF SERVICE

IS THE SON OF

*War Dad*

SIGNATURE

*Lawrence 33 Lawrence Kas*

CHAPTER

CITY

AND AS SUCH WE RECOMMEND HE BE EXTENDED  
ALL POSSIBLE COURTESIES AND ASSISTANCE.

*Wesley M. Smith*

CHAPTER SECRETARY





April 4, 1944.

Pfc. Robert E. Allen,  
Co. E, Barracks 9,  
3305th S.U., A.S.T.P.,  
University of Pennsylvania,  
Philadelphia 4, Pa.

Dear Bobby:

I have written to the Hotel Muehlebach for a reservation on the night of April 26 for you and Jean. However, I was not sure of my request so I am dropping a note to you to see whether you want a single room with twin beds, or a single room with a double bed, or a suite of two rooms with bath. We will have the reservation of a single room with a double bed - that is sure, but if you want anything different, let me know and we can change it.

I would like to write you a longer letter this morning but must rush down to the city hall for a film and get it back to my class. I do promise, however, in the next few days to get to this matter that I have wanted to attend to for quite a while, and that is to write you a newsy letter regarding the department and all the happenings of the school.

But our budget conference is on Friday, and I have not written the Jayhawk Rebounds, so until I get those things out of the way, - at least some of them cleared up, I will postpone further correspondence for the present.

Affectionately, Your Dad

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



April 4, 1944.

Manager, Hotel Muehlebach,  
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

My son, Pfc. Robert E. Allen, who is a senior in the Medical School at the University of Pennsylvania, will be married in Topeka, Kansas, Wednesday, April 26. I should like to make a reservation for a single room with double bed for the night of April 26. He and his bride will be enroute to Philadelphia to return to his studies.

This is a tentative arrangement as I have written him asking if he desired twin beds or a suite of rooms, and so forth, but I wanted to get my order in so that he will be assured of a room.

The writer has stayed with his Kansas varsity basketball teams many times at your hostelry. We formerly dealt with Elmer Hier, but I understand he is now in the service.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



March 27, 1944.

Mr. Hubert Allen,  
4832 Ellis Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Hubert:

I am wondering if you would be kind enough to send me Elmer's address in southern Missouri. I had it once, but somehow have lost it - I mean the name of the town. I want to see if he will go down to Cabool to look over some property there for me.

I trust that things are going nicely with you and that you and your family are in good health. I am wondering if Hub, Jr., is in the service now. Bobby is over one-third of his last semester in his senior year. So it won't be long. He is going to get married some time about the 25th of April and has a leave coming up for that time for seven days.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



December 31, 1943.

Mrs. Stella Allen,  
9839 Winner Road,  
Independence, Mo.

Dear Stella:

Thanks for your good letter of Wednesday. I have sent the information on to Hubert.

I saw Dick Wednesday night but missed him last night. We had quite a game with Missouri. I am glad for him and his friends to see the game.

Yes, we did have a good Christmas. Bobby was home from Philadelphia. I am sending you one of our Jayhawk Rebounds that I wrote some time ago that tells about the family. I thought you might be interested in it as it give all the dope on the family. Bob returns tomorrow for Philadelphia for his senior year in medicine. We are more than pleased with his progress and his happiness.

With all good wishes for a very happy New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



SFA

Wednesday.

Dear Forrest,

In case I don't

see you in person to thank you, here is my thanks for your prompt reply to Dick's request. I don't want him to be a nuisance, but as he says he loves basketball.

Hubert's address is  
4832 Ellis Ave, Chicago.

I hope you had a good Christmas, we did - all my family were here at my house.

Thanks again for the tickets - Dick & I both hope the New Year will bring you much happiness.

Sincerely  
S. Allen



March 21, 1944.

Mr. James Milton,  
R. F. D.,  
Independence, Mo.

Dear Jim:

I received your postcard dated the 15th in which you stated that you had talked to Mrs. Milton and that she had asked some questions which you do not know quite how to answer. You suggest that I had better come and talk to her.

I have never had an opportunity to go into this matter fully with you and I think it would be well for me to make a preliminary statement. You doubtless know that I have kept out of any conversation or controversy in regard to your Dad's activity, or any of the relationships with the folks that might cause some controversy. I was asked by your father to see if I could not get you people together as he desired that the children have his land. He did not want the money to go for legal matters, probaton, attorney fees, and so forth, and it was his definite request to me to see if I could not get all factions together.

I made three trips to Kansas City at my own expense and did everything that I could to bring this about. What I did, did not have the enthusiastic endorsement of Bess because she previously had made many attempts to adjudicate matters, but she had utterly failed and she had declared it was utterly hopeless and no individual could bring to pass the desired agreement. Therefore, it was against her judgment that such a thing should be done. So I did it only as an appeal from your father.

After I talked to you and Frances you remember that Milton and I drove out to your home where I met Mrs. Milton and she promised to let me hear from her. I never heard from her. Then when I spoke at Independence, Missouri, at the Kiwanis Club, Bess desired to go with me so she could have a short visit with your father. You happened in and at that time you and I exchanged some ideas and those ideas expressed by me were that you were the only one who could present the matter to Mrs. Milton with her feeling that she was getting an absolutely fair consideration.

I did not expect to say anything to Mrs. Milton that day, nor do I now. When she told me that she would let me hear from her, and did not, I considered the matter closed. If there are any questions that she wants to ask you and you want to write me I will be glad to endeavor to cooperate with you and help you in every possible way, but I have no thought or desire to make any more trips or spend any more of my money endeavoring to



accommodate your father when it seems to me the matter is in your and their hands.

You doubtless know that I have never placed a very high evaluation on money except for the comforts and the benefits that it might bring people. I have never been much interested in your father's wealth. In fact, it has been of little concern to me. And you know, doubtless, that you, George and Ethel have received bequests and gifts from your father and mother, but Bess is the only one that has received nothing. I only mention this to show you that I have never been greatly concerned about those matters, preferring to earn our own money and handle it in our own way without the unpleasantness and dissatisfactions that seem to have come from these gratuities.

I certainly have no feeling in the matter and only mention these things to emphasize this fact - that after your father passes away if there is not some sort of a settlement the pre-nuptial agreement of Mr. Milton will hold and it will be one year before any settlement can be made through the probate court. Mrs. Milton will be forced to pay six per cent interest on the house that she is living in and any property used by the renters or dwellers on the property will be charged at regular legal interest rate. The people with money will be able to get along, but the people without money will be the ones penalized.

I do not think it is time to quibble over these matters, nor will anyone derive any undue gain by attempting to drive a sharp bargain because the very purpose of the whole thing will be defeated and the individual who is endeavoring to gain an advantage will lose.

It is a very easy matter to settle a situation if everyone will want to be fair about it. But if anyone wants to hold out for more than their fair share and equity I am sure that the whole thing will be defeated.

Again let me assure you that my only activity has been upon the insistent request of your father who still expresses the desire that his children have his property. Certainly any contract entered into should be respected and no one should suffer if everybody wants to be fair.

If there is anything that I can do further please let me know, but I have no desire to spend my time and money needlessly.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



March 21, 1944.

Mrs. Maurice Hughes,  
33rd and Blue Ridge Road,  
Independence, Mo.

Dear Ethel:

Jim wrote me a postcard, the contents of which I enclosed in my letter to him. I have replied to him in the best way that I know how. This letter is self-explanatory. I am sorry that I could do no more.

With all good wishes to you and Maurice, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH  
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March 21, 1944.

Mr. Robert F. Milton,  
Blue Springs, Missouri.

Dear Mr. Milton:

Jim wrote me a postcard dated the 15th, the contents of which you can read in my reply to him.

I have endeavored to do everything that I could to help you out of your dilemma, but it seems as if it is an impossible situation to surmount. You remember when I went with you to talk to Mrs. Milton she promised me that she would let me hear from her. This she did not do. Therefore, I considered that any further negotiations would necessarily come from her because she has never expressed her views to me.

We came only to see you last week and not to make further negotiations with Mrs. Milton. I trust that you are feeling better.

I assure you I had no motive only to be fair to everybody, not to give one person an advantage over the other in any possible way. It is difficult to make some people believe that.

I am enclosing a carbon copy of the letter that I have written Jim so that there would be no misunderstanding.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



A. J. McKINNEY

REAL ESTATE AND INSURANCE

CABOOL, MISSOURI

March. 23nd 1944 .

Mr. Forest C. Allen.

Lawrence. Kans.

Dear Mr. Allen:

Your letter to hand, and was very glad to hear from you once more.  
Now Mr. Allen as to the 40 acres, You spoke of having it cleaned up and fencing put around it. So that is what it ~~me~~ needs above every thing else.

But after you go to the expense of having that done, and put a buildings on it look where it will run to. You cannot get building material now hardly, and it will cost you some where from \$1000.00 to \$1500.00 to do all that. and then you could not sell it for over \$1800.00. There is no water on it only through the winter season ar when it is a wet season.

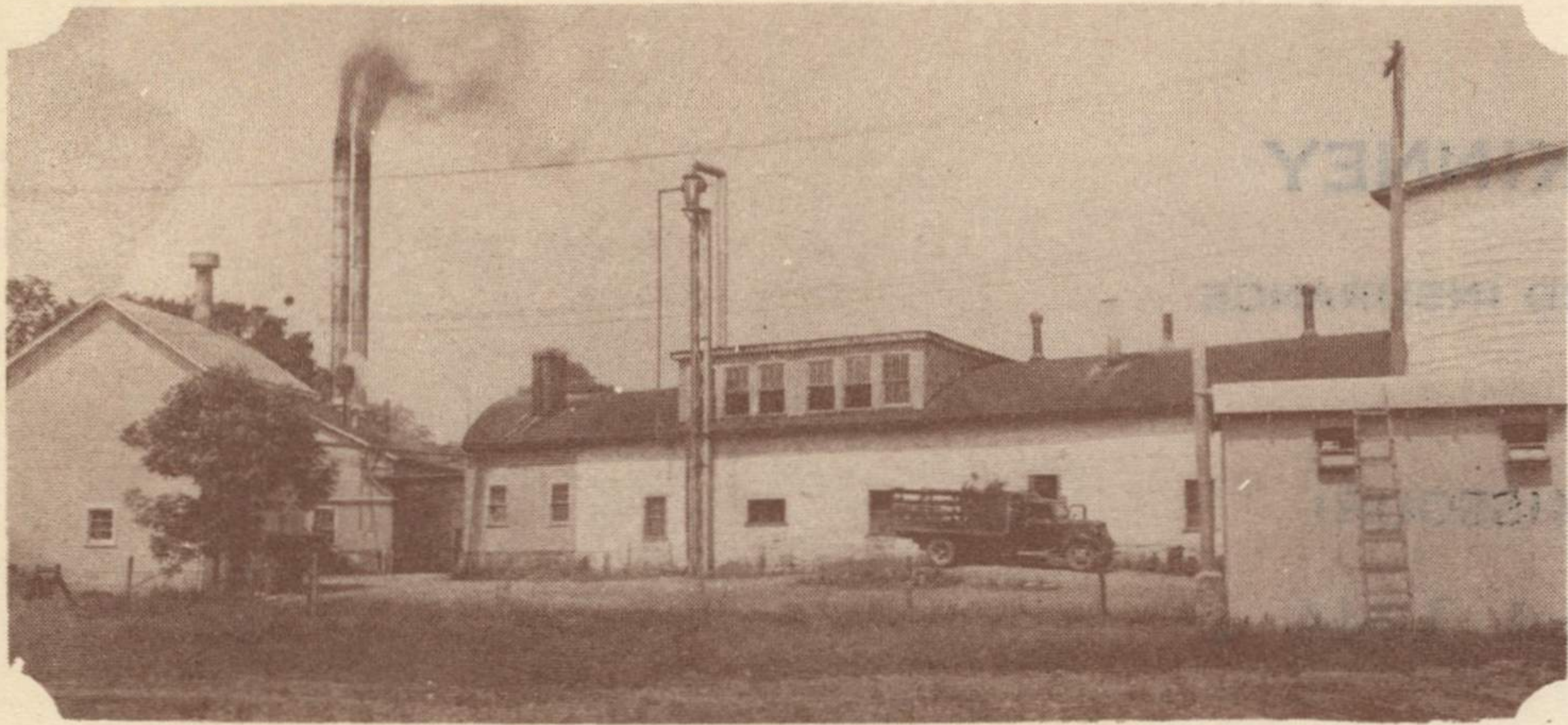
<sup>Now</sup>  
Now I think your best shot is to sell it to some one adjoining it and there would be no buildings to build.

But if you can get your brother to come and take charge of it, I think that would be the thing to do, As you cannot get help here now, as our young men are all gone or going to the war. So now this is as near as I can give you the lay of every thing. but after considering the matter and you want the \$500.00 I believe I can sell it for you, So thanking you for your letter. and if I can be of futher help to you call on me.

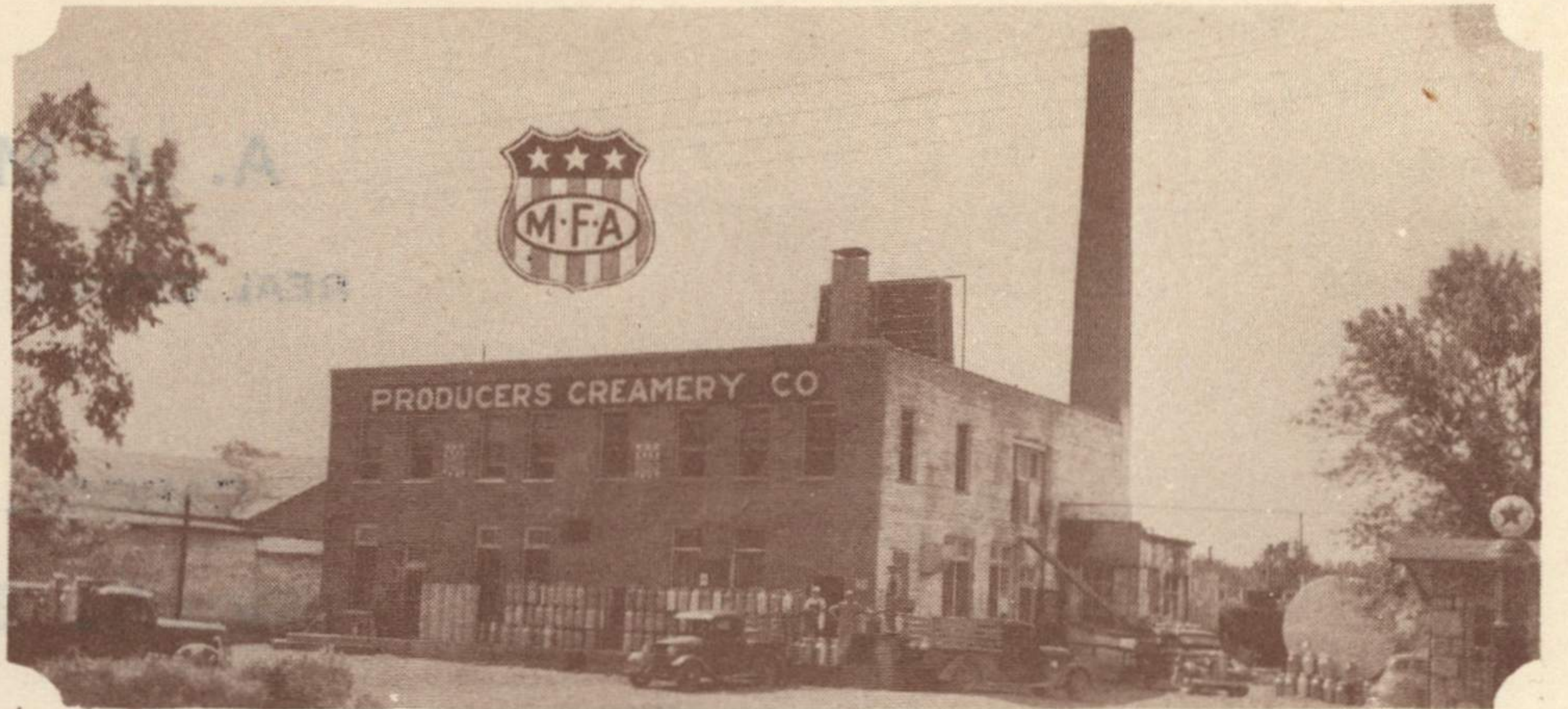
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*A. J. McKinney*  
A. J. McKinney.

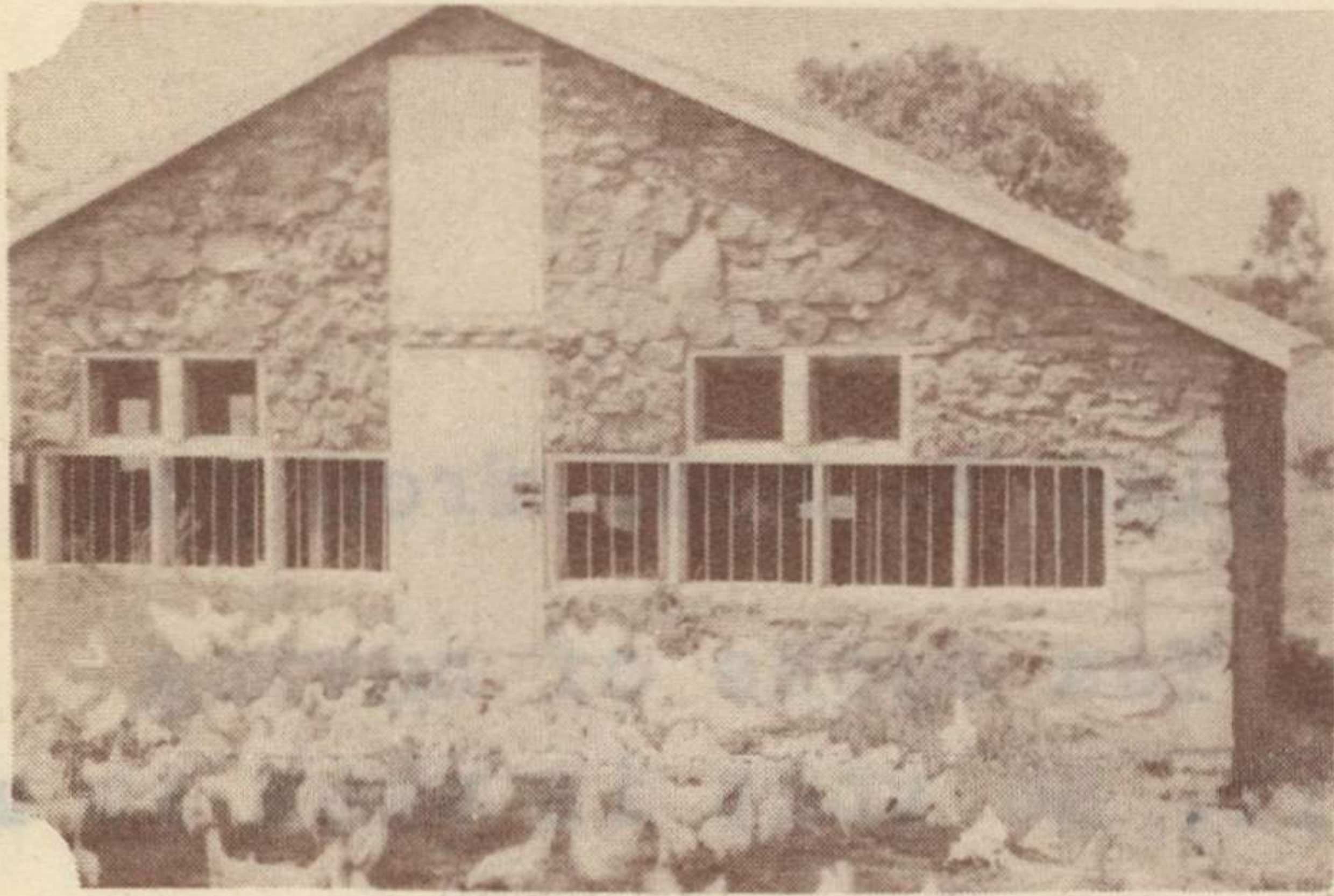




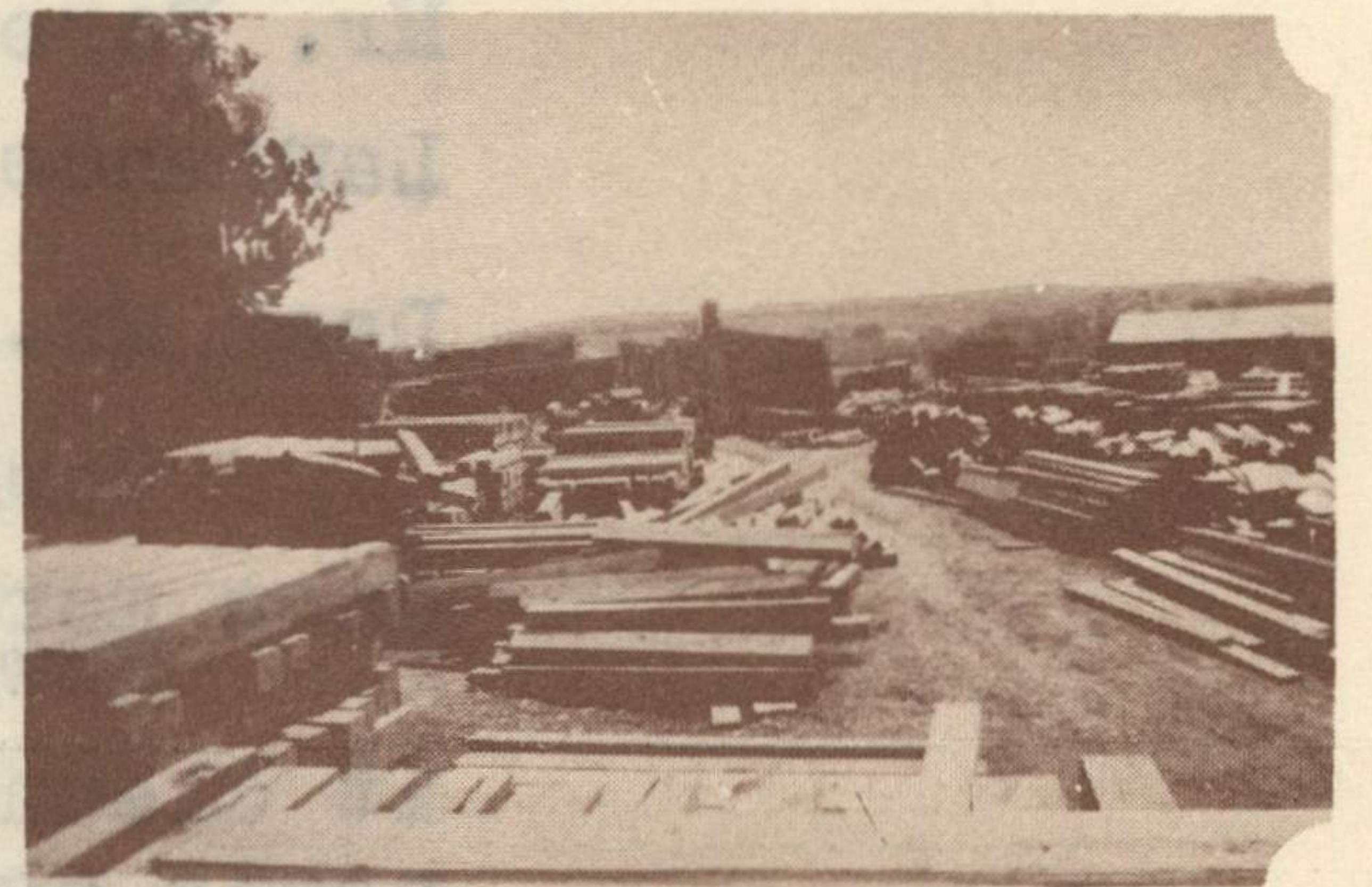
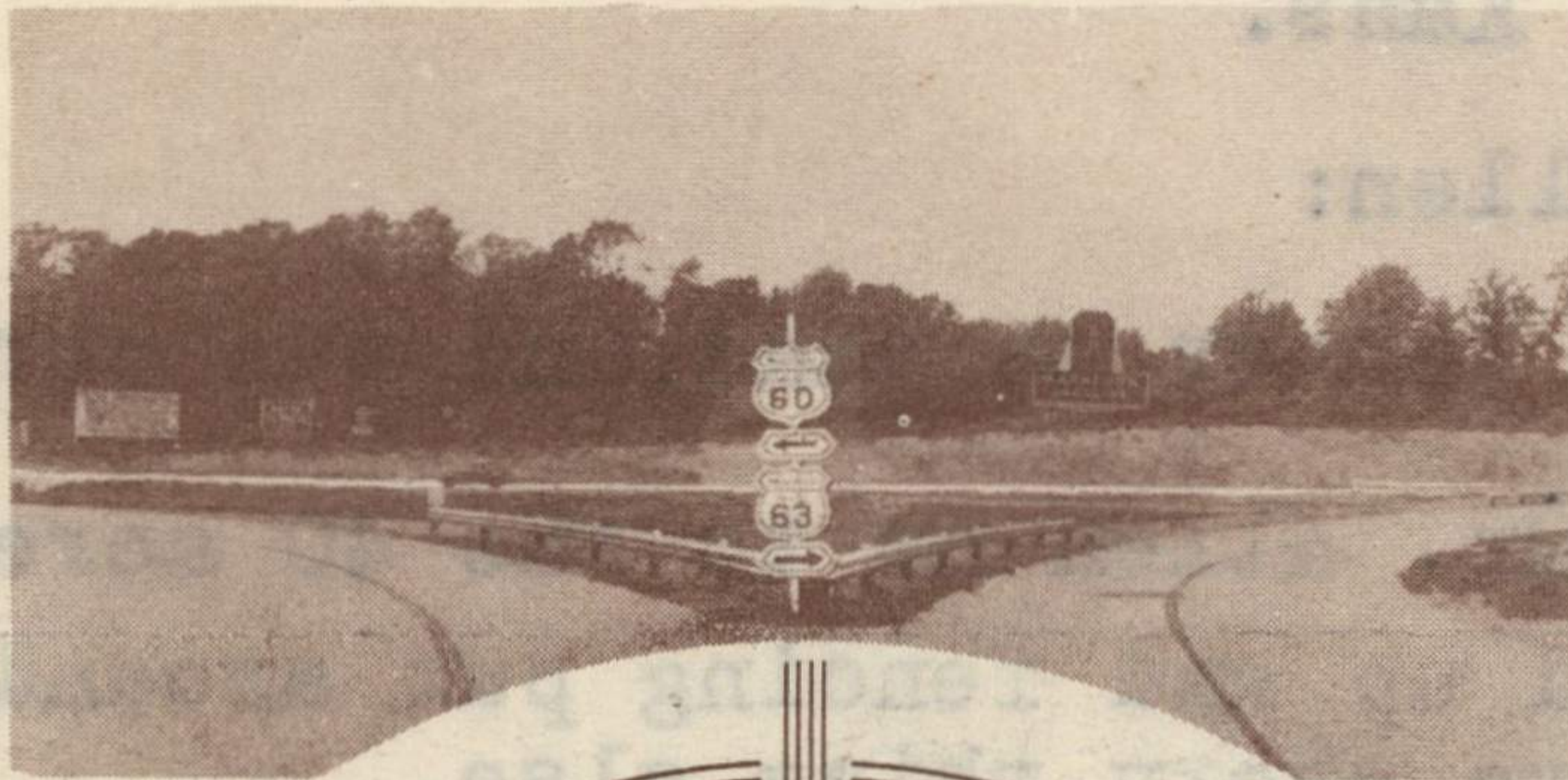
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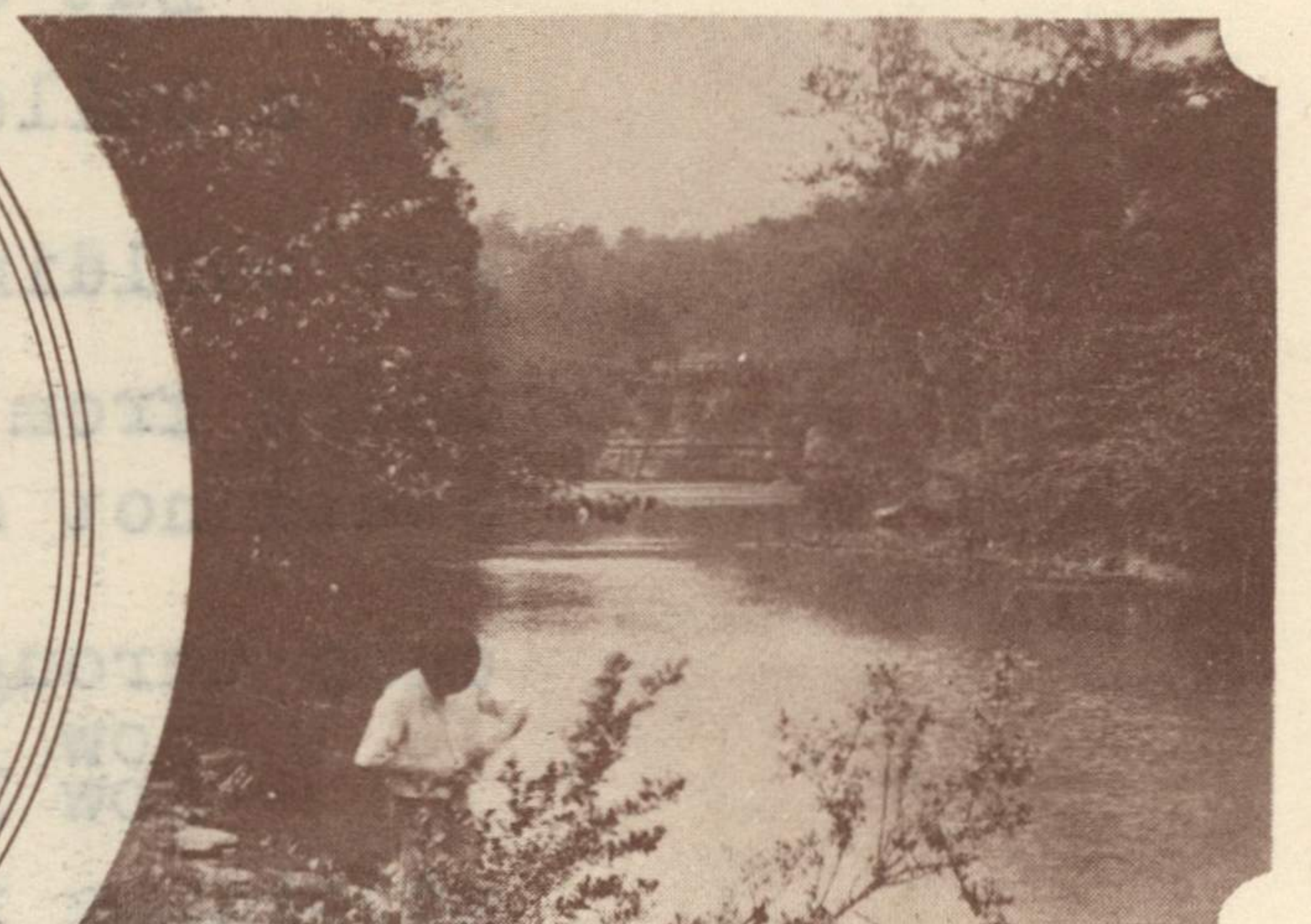
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*"Where the trails divide"*

← MEMPHIS



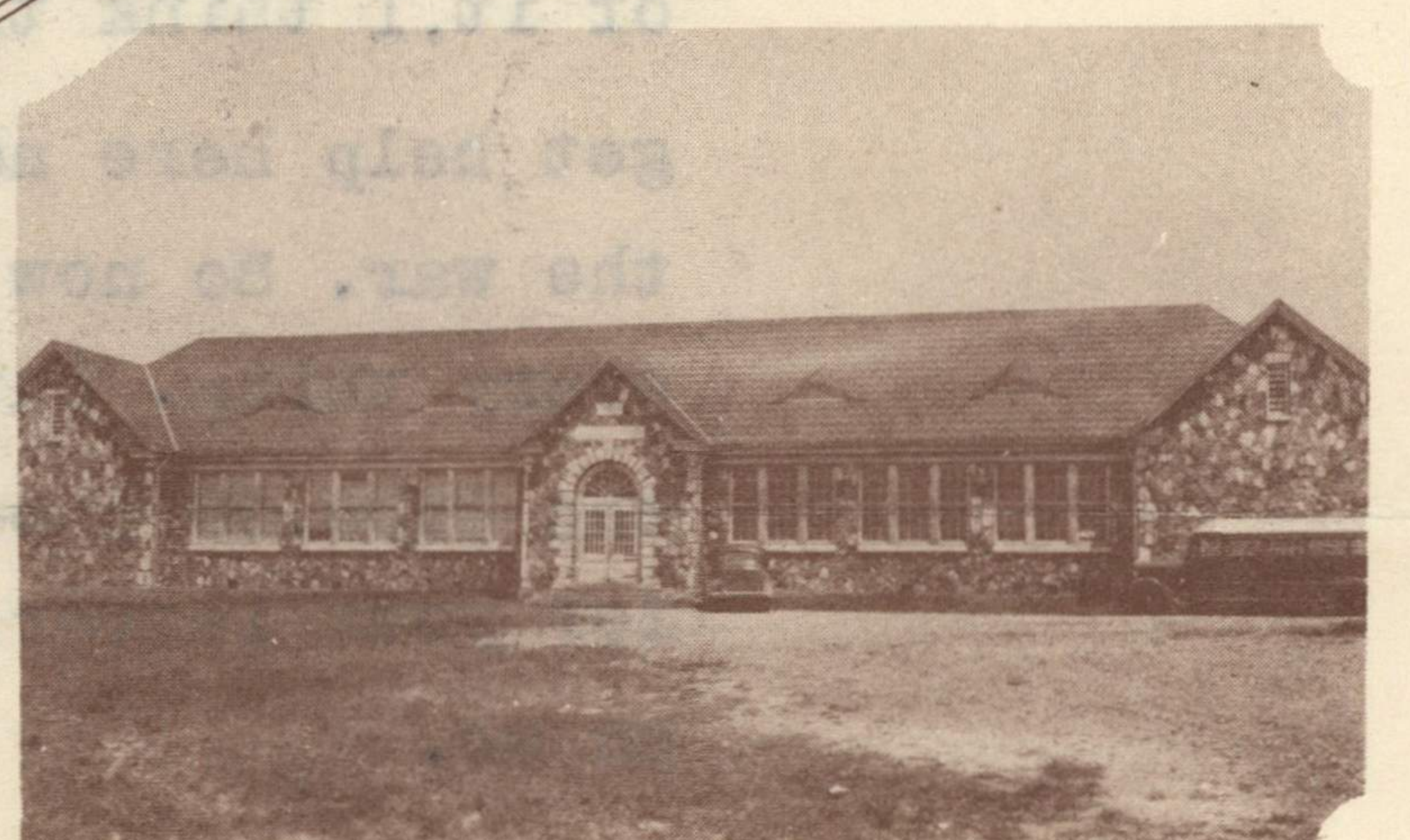
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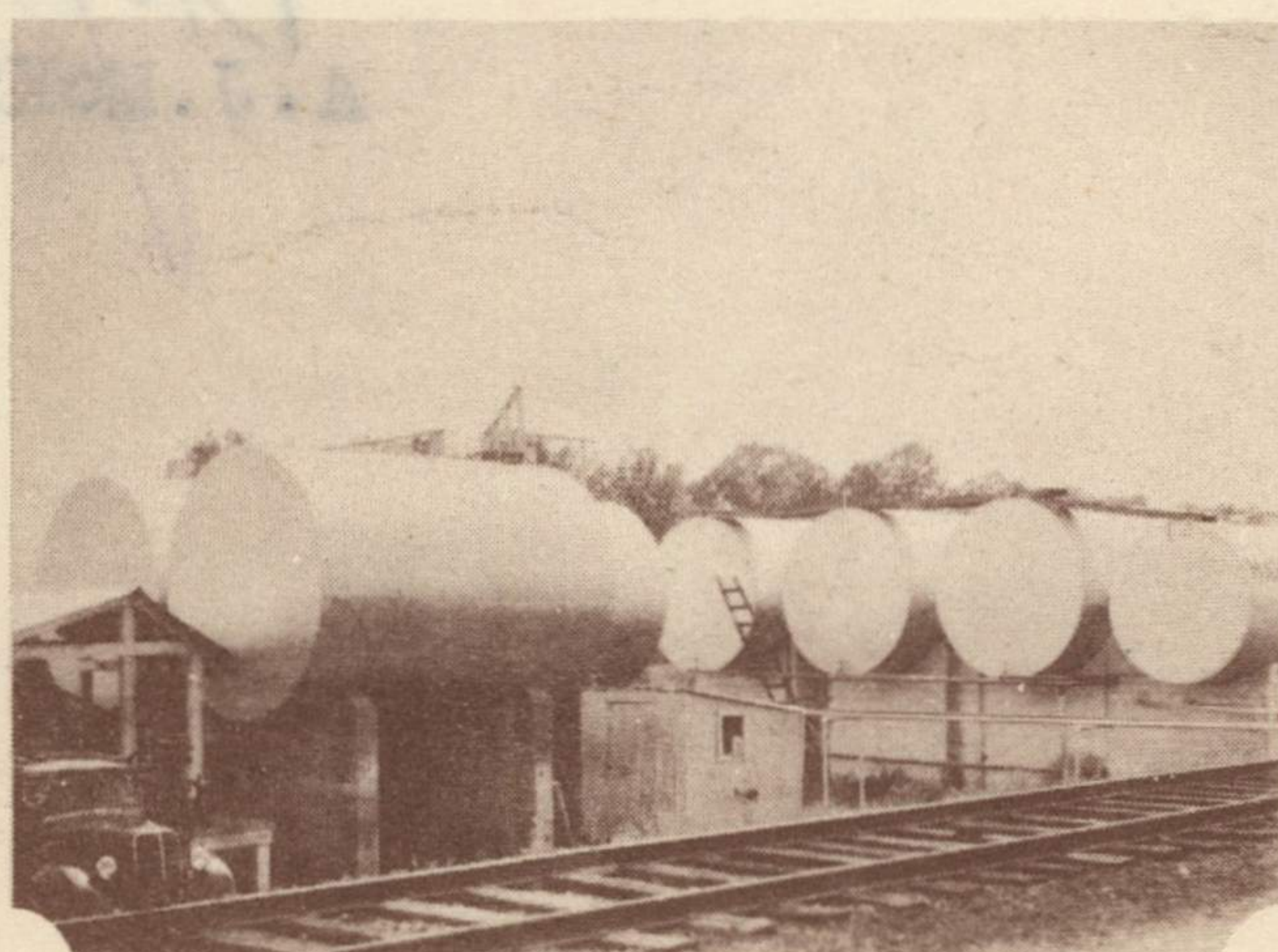
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March 21, 1944.

Mr. A. J. McKinney,  
Cabool, Missouri.

Dear Mr. McKinney:

I had intended answering your letter sooner, not with a view of accepting the \$500 cash for the forty acres, but rather to let you know that I expect to have the brush cleared from it and to have a fence put around it. In that way doubtless it could be rented or sold for what the land is worth.

I do not particularly need the money but I would like to put it in shape for sale. I know that forty acres will bring very much more money if it is improved. If I could get a decent offer I might entertain it, but of course \$500 is out of the question.

Mr. McKinney, what do you really think the farm is worth on a good cash turnover? Personally, I think it is worth \$1,000 cash if it is worth anything, if there was a good fence around it and the brush is cleared off so that it would make a fine dairy location. It is just large enough so that it could be handled in good shape for a dairy. There is a concrete highway right by it so I am willing to sell it for a fair price; but certainly \$500 is no consideration whatsoever.

I am secretary of the Douglas County Selective Service board and have had charge of the Douglas County 1944 Red Cross War Fund drive. We have just gone over the top in the Red Cross campaign, but there are many other things that are occupying much of my time. I think I will have one of my brothers who lives in southern Missouri go down there and look over the place and put it in shape that it will be salable. Won't you write me at your convenience?

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



BARNES LODGE NO. 116



ANCIENT FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

CABOOL, MO. 12-13-1943

Mr. Forrest G. Allen

Laura, Kans.

Dear Sir: As I have not heard from you in a long time, I thought I would write you again. I written you in July to know if you had sold or rented the Hoacres, a I got there and saw some cattle on the land. So after I got your letter I went and saw about it and the cattle had got out of a pasture adjoining it so they were there only a few hours, and I have never saw any more in it.

Now Mr. Allen I am offered \$500<sup>00</sup> Cash for it. And I hardly knew whether to write you or not but the party insisted for me to write so you can write me what to do in the matter of course this looks small, but the place is growing up in brush and the fencing is getting pretty bad and I thought you might use the money to a better advantage so let me hear from you

Sincerely yours  
A. J. Whinnery



March 13, 1944.

Dear Mary, Joan and Wibbe:

I couldn't fail to include a word or two to the other celebrities. I wrote the salubrity congratulating him upon his leadership. I want you to know that while I am writing him I am also thinking of you.

We are certainly counting on familiar tracks being made around 801 Louisiana some time around the latter part of June or July. Don't let anything interfere with your coming or there will be a funeral service read in Lawrence, Kansas. Mimi has been depending so much on it. If you fail to arrive she would either take wings and fly out west - or straight up. So be sure that you do not disappoint us.

We are glad that you womenfolks have recovered from your slight indisposition, and we are happy that Wibble-Wabble shakes all of the obstacles free of her anatomy.

With love, I am

Affectionately yours,



March 13, 1944.

Mr. Leander P. Hamilton, III,  
860 Center Street,  
Palo Alto, California.

Dear Sonny:

We have read and heard of your splendid success on the basketball court and also in the election of you to the presidency of your school.

This is a signal honor because in the election your fellows voted their approval of you as a leader. We want you to know that this makes us all very proud. We trust that your success will continue. When a group elects a fellow they elect him to serve. I am sure that you will understand that perfectly.

With love, I am

Your very fond grandparent,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



March 13, 1944.

Mr. Leander P. Hamilton,  
111 Sutter Building,  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Pete:

Thanks very much for your kindness in having George Kennedy ship the supercargo from his jobber in Springfield. A man named Hedrick called me and I believe it was the man that you had in Kansas City before he resigned and went out to the Lake City plant. He stated the price was \$59.82 and since I knew nothing about it, I presume that was correct, was it not? Anyhow, everybody is happy and I appreciate your kindness.

Mrs. A. raised the mischief and made allusions to Al Capone and the rest of the gang. It is very nice of you to put yourself out, and I trust that no one will throw any barrages - mental or actual - toward you for your kindness.

I am glad to know that Mary is much better and that Joan is getting along fine. Mimi has been terribly worried about her.

We were all thrilled regarding Loe's election to the presidency of his school and his fine athletic record. I am writing him a note letting him know that we are very proud of him. He is developing wonderfully and we trust that his success will continue. He has always been such a modest chap that I think these things are good for him to build up his morale.

Mimi is so homesick for California that whenever a letter comes not only her mouth waters but also her eyes. I think it would really be a good thing for her to take another trip out, but she says finances won't permit it. She is counting on Mary and the children as if her life almost depends upon it, so I trust nothing will prevent their coming. And I trust that you will be able to make it easy while they are here.

With our love to the family, I am

Fraternally and sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



LEANDER P. HAMILTON

March 3, 1944

Dear Doctor:

Word has been received from George Kennedy today that he was finally enabled to ship some super-cargo from his jobber in Springfield, Missouri, to his jobber in Kansas City, Missouri, for your very special benefit.

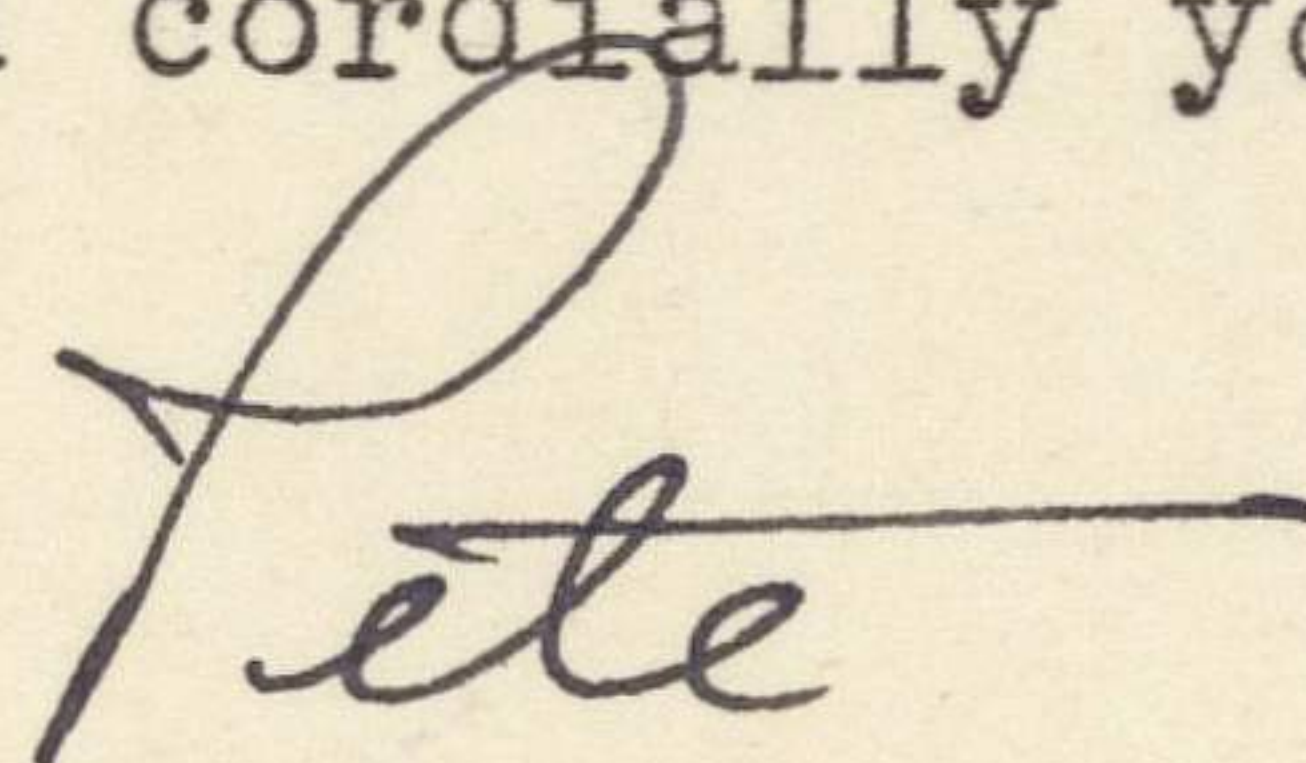
I trust by now that this has been received, and, if not, please advise me and I'll make some arrangement to ship it from California. As a matter of fact, if you want some additional merchandise from California, let me know and I'll ship it to you in care of the Brogan Drug.

We are all feeling fine out here. Mary had a little cold about a month ago, and Joan was laid up for a few days, but everybody is in shipshape now and feeling great.

Bert and Ruth De Groot took Mary and me to see the Navy Pre-Flight and Coast Guard Game held here in San Francisco last Saturday. Hank Luisetti plays on the Pre-Flight team, as you know, and Jim Pollard plays on the Coast Guard team. It was a wonderful game, but Luisetti finally won out.

The Hamilton clan send their love to Mimi and you.

Fraternally and cordially yours

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Pete", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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



Thursday Eve,

Dear Forrest,

It certainly was thoughtful of you to offer us tickets to the game. But + Jimmie (you met him last year) and my sister may well take advantage of your offer. There may be another, also. My sister Jeanne is here from Arizona & has the flu so I'll stay with her.

We had a letter recently from Hubert. He is now a Captain in the medical corps & is expecting to be sent overseas soon. He sent But,

Dick's comes ring. We saw in the Independence paper that Pete was now retired. Thanks again for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely -

Stella Allen



9839 Winner Rd.

Independence, Mo.

12/9/43

Dr. Forrest C. Allen  
Director of Physical Education  
Varsity Basketball Coach

Dear Uncle Phog,

We received your letter on the 9<sup>th</sup> and I am writing a return letter willy-nilly. I would enjoy and appreciate an opportunity to see the basketball game Saturday. Mother is not very anxious to go out as she has her sister sick in bed now and cannot leave. I think four tickets would be enough as mother is not going. As, if you take the Kansas City paper, you know our football team was <sup>the</sup> championship team this year. If there are any teams this year who are playing in the Municipal Auditorium I wish you would let me know as Jim and I enjoyed the games last year immensely.

Sincerely yours,

P.S. Will look for the tickets at the office.  
Dick Allen  
D.A.



February 3, 1944

Dearest Jane and Hoot:

I'm not endeavoring to answer your fine letter at the present but am answering your question. I'm sending you a radio talk I made over KFKU a week ago. I gave this to the press and they made a story out of it.

I'm sure the contents will answer your question. Will write you soon in long hand but just gave my pint of blood today and will sweat the rest of it out trying to make a winning club out of my hopeful striplings.

With love,

Affectionately,



February 3, 1944

P.F.C. Robert E. Allen, 13, 202,200  
Co. E, Barracks No. 9  
3305th S.U.A.S.T.P.  
University of Penna.  
Philadelphia, 4, Penna.

Dear Bob:

I'm sending you a copy of a letter I wrote Hugh Fullerton that I thought you would enjoy.

Also sending you a copy of a radio talk I made here at the University. Don't take time to read it until all the babies have been born in Philadelphia.

Affectionately,

February 3, 1944



December 28, 1943.

Mr. Dick Allen,  
9839 Winner Road,  
Independence, Mo.

Dear Dick:

The tickets will be in your name at the Municipal Auditorium each night. I will endeavor to get four for you, if possible. I believe that I can make it.

Will you please ask your mother to send me Hubert's address? I have a letter from Anderson and Bramwell, insurance agents, asking that I send some data to him which they have mailed to me here in Lawrence. I will appreciate a prompt reply as to Hubert's Chicago address.

Hope to see you and your mother at the games, but don't count on that as sometimes we miss out. Just mail the address to me here in Lawrence.

Affectionately,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



9839 Winner Rd.  
Independence, Mo.

12/27/43

Dear Uncle Phog,

I hate to bother you again about tickets to the basketball game but as there is nothing I enjoy so much as a good game I am writing you for the privilege. Do you have any way of knowing whether a team will play in the Municipal Auditorium, such as Olathe did last year? How are Milton and Bob and what are they doing. Could you obtain tickets for the game with Missouri also? Four each night would be swell. A Happy New Year and success in the year of 1944.

yours sincerely,

Dick Allen