

June 30, 1942.

Mr. Kenneth Thompson,
533 Ann Avenue,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Tommy:

I received your letter along with Bill's when I returned Saturday night. I waited until I could have a talk with Gwinn Henry regarding that physician who examined you. Gwinn did not remember his name but he was a University of Missouri graduate. He had taken his work when Gwinn was coaching down there.

I talked to Gwinn about the possibility of your getting in some other place in the Marines and he said that he was definitely sure that you could not because the physician talked to Gwinn about your case and he said that if you went any place else you would have to make a statement why you came there and then it would be forthcoming that you had made application to the Kansas City branch and since you had been turned down there they would do likewise. It was Gwinn's opinion that it would be no use for you to try because the physician explained to Gwinn there were simple tests, and later this physician would be checked upon and he would be called on the carpet. He wanted to do anything he could in your behalf but it was against professional ethics for him to do so.

So I believe, Tommy, if I were you I would go along with Bill Brill in this new set up. Of course, I would be glad to do anything I could for you at any time. By the way, Tommy, here is a constructive suggestion. I would suggest that you go to see Dr. Don Carlos Peete. You know him, of course. His office is in the Argyle Building, and he lives on Cambridge Avenue in Kansas City, Kansas. That is a professional matter that you are discussing and why not put it up to him. If anybody could do anything for you, Dr. Peete would do it. I am not trying to pass the buck, but since Dr. Peete is in the same profession he might be able to help in this situation. Let me hear from you as to what you think is the better thing to do, and I will be guided by your desire.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Bill Brill

- 1922 No. 24th.

Kansas City, Kansas.

1. Letter of recommendation.
2. Remind Dean Smith about a letter of recommendation and also a copy of my transcript. (Talk to the Dean ~~3~~ about this for me.

Thanks you
Bill

Kenneth Thompson

533 Ann Ave

Kansas City, Kansas —

Do you think it would be at all possible for you to come in some week end and have a talk with the commanding officer of the M. avies? If not would you mail him a letter talking over the situation. His address would be — The Federal Building, 8th & Grand — K.C. Mo. Probably

if you would speak to him he would
take more consideration. You can put
the information for Bill & I in one envelope
and mail it to Bill.

Thank you —
Ken,

It,
Ollie

May 26, 1942.

Officer Sullivan,
United States Marine Corps.

Dear Sir:

I am very happy to recommend Mr. William Brill for admission to Officers' Training in the U. S. Marine Corps.

I have known Bill Brill for three or four years and have always found him to be a highly personable, dependable young man. He is of good character, is clean in his habits, and is well-liked by his fellow students and teachers at the University. He is a fine athlete and has the qualities necessary for a leader of men.

I am very glad to recommend Bill Brill to you without reservation.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

May 26, 1942.

Officer Sullivan,
United States Marine Corps.

Dear Sir:

I am very happy to write you in behalf of
Mr. Kenneth Thompson, who is applying for admission to
Officers' Training in the United States Marine Corps.

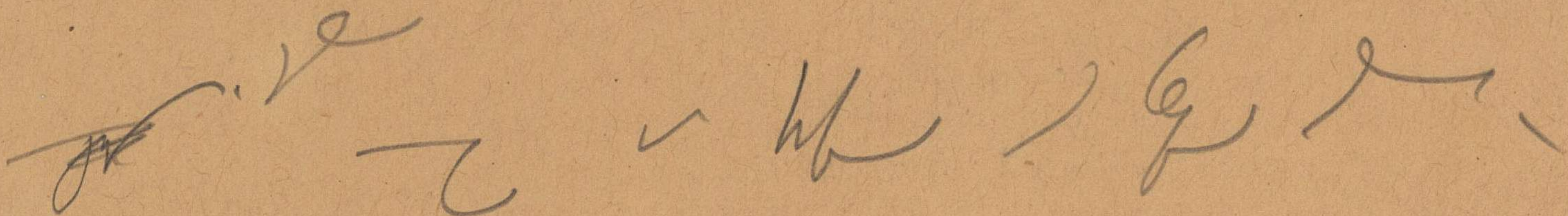
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and is making a fine record in athletics and academics at
the University of Kansas.

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reservation.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

A series of handwritten signatures and initials in dark ink, including a large stylized signature on the left, a checkmark, and several other initials and signatures extending to the right.

June 30, 1942.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very happy to write in behalf of Mr. Kenneth Thompson, a student at the University of Kansas.

Kenneth Thompson is a young man of fine character, he is intelligent, personable, energetic, and a fine athlete. He has fine qualities of leadership, and is making an excellent record in athletics and academics at the University of Kansas. He is a star member of the basketball and football teams.

I am very glad to recommend him without reservation.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

June 30, 1942.

Mr. Bill Brill,
1922 North 24th St.,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Bill:

I saw Dean Smith at Rotary Club and he stated you were satisfactory so far as your grades were concerned and he would be glad to help you out. He said that he was mailing the letter to you at your address. I hope that the letter is forthcoming, and if it has not arrived from Dean Smith it will arrive in a very short while.

I am writing a letter of recommendation identically the same as I wrote to Officer Sullivan, of the U. S. Marine Corps. I trust that this will be quite satisfactory to you. If not, please let me know and I will write any additional information you may want.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

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June 26, 1942.

Mr. Kenneth B. Kell,
1150 Mulvane,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Kenny:

I am very glad to write the enclosed letter
in your behalf to the Commandant of the U. S. Coast
Guard. I hope this gets the job done for you.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH
Enc.

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

June 26, 1942.

Commandant,
U. S. Coast Guard,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am very happy to recommend to you Mr. Kenneth Bice Kell, a graduate of the University of Kansas in 1935. Kell was an exceptional athlete and a fine student. He played three years of varsity football at quarterback with outstanding success. He was also an excellent tennis player, having represented the varsity for three years, winning his varsity "K" for three years in tennis as well as football.

Kenneth Kell is a man of exceptional personality. He has unusual powers of leadership and he knows what loyalty and discipline mean. While at the University, Kell majored in social sciences, with his minor in physical education. He has 29 hours in physical education when but 30 are required for a major.

In his first year out of school he was athletic director and coach at Tonganoxie High School, coaching all branches of sports. In my opinion, this one year of experience as coach should give him an additional allowance toward his physical education major, although it would not be possible for the University to grant him that.

Since 1936 he has been with the Fidelity and Deposit Company, of Kansas City, where he has made an outstanding success. I am very happy to recommend him to you without reservation. In my opinion he is an A No. 1 candidate for a Reserve Commission in the United State Coast Guard.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

June 9, 1942.

U. S. Army Recruiting Station,
422 Federal Courts Building,
811 Grand Avenue,
Kansas City, Missouri.

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Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

June 20, 1942.

Mr. Mano W. Stukey,
Stafford, Kansas.

Dear Mano:

I am very happy to write to President J. L. McCarrison, of Yankton College, in your behalf. Nothing would give me more pleasure than to see you land a good college job such as this.

With all good wishes to you and Mrs. Stukey, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH
Enc.

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

June 20, 1942.

President J. L. McCorison, Jr.,
Yankton College,
Yankton, S. D.

Dear President McCorison:

I have learned that Mr. Mano W. Stukey, of Stafford, Kansas, is an applicant for a position as Director of Athletics and Coach in your college.

We have been especially attracted to Mano Stukey since he matriculated at the University of Kansas. He was then and is now a fine, clean, intelligent and personable young man. He played three years of varsity football with great distinction. His ability was not of the mere accidental type, but was founded upon experience and study. As he played quarterback you could see that he was a thinker. He generalled his teams by the innate strategy that he possessed.

Sometimes we are prone to discount the intelligence of a football player. Stukey had intelligence and personality plus. After his graduation he assisted us here at the University and we found him a most loyal, cooperative and valuable young coach.

He early identified himself with the Plymouth Congregational Church of Lawrence, Kansas. He married a very lovely young lady, and he and Mrs. Stukey were constructive forces in the young life of University people in this town.

Stukey is doing exceptional work at Stafford, Kansas, as athletic director and coach of all sports, and I am happy to recommend him to you without reservation or evasion.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Stafford, Kansas.
June 16, 1942.

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

Dear Dr. Allen:-

Sometime ago I received a letter from Dr. J. L. McCorison, President of Yankton College, Yankton, South Dakota, to ascertain if I would be available as a candidate for the position of Director of Athletics and Coach in the college. I sent him the information he asked for.

I was wondering if you would care to write him a letter in my behalf. I told him I served on your coaching staff for three years. I do not know what my chances are of receiving the appointment, but I would like very much to have a chance at it. I feel fully confident that I could make a success of it.

I am enclosing the two letters I received from Dr. McCorison so you may understand better the situation as it is at the present time. I would appreciate it if you would return them to me.

Hoping this finds you and your family in good health, I am,

Sincerely,

Mano W. Stukekey

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June 20, 1942.

Mr. Kenneth M. Hamilton, Y3e,
U.S.N. Recruiting Station,
Terminal Island,
San Pedro, California.

Dear Kenny:

I am very happy to write this letter in your behalf
and I trust that you make the grade.

Mit and Bob and I play golf together, and I talked to
Mit about you and he said to please give you his very best re-
gards. Bob, also, desired to be included.

I sincerely trust that it will be possible some time
in the not too distant future that wherever you go you will be
able to find as few Japs as you are finding around your barracks.
Someone pasted a sticker on my car and instead of "Keep 'Em
Flying", this is the slogan, "Keep 'Em Dying". And the beam is
on the physiognomy of an ugly looking slant-eye.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

June 20, 1942.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very happy to commend to you Mr. Kenneth M. Hamilton, a former athlete at the University of Kansas, and a clerk in the Bursar's Office during the years he attended the University.

Hamilton's proficiency is baseball, and he acquitted himself in a highly satisfactory manner. The fact that he worked in the Bursar's Office attests to his accuracy and honesty. He has a fine personality, is interested in sports and in people. He is loyal and has the personality that makes him attractive to people. He has the personality and ability for leadership, and in my opinion he has fine qualities of leadership.

Hamilton also attended the Law School at the University, and I have found that men tutored in law have the ability to weigh both sides of a situation.

I am very happy to recommend Kenneth Hamilton as a young man possessing fine qualities of personality and leadership.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

KENNETH M. HAMILTON

811 So. Broadway
PITTSBURG, KANSAS

San Pedro, Calif.
June 17, 1942

Dear Dr. Allen:

I am now in the United States Naval Reserve as a yeoman (clerical work). Am planning to make application for a commissioned officer's ranking soon.

I attended the University from 1935-1936 to 1940-1941, but the present international conflict has somewhat stymied the progress of "book-learning".

I doubt very much Dr. Allen if you remember me by name, but I have been acquainted ^{with you} for the last 4 years. I worked in the business office my last 3 years in school, and watched your teams work out regular after getting off work each evening. I attended law school my last two years, and have played ball with "Ditt" many times.

I would like to have you write a letter for me that I can submit with my application. I think you know the necessity and formality for securing recommendations for such applications.

Our company is temporarily occupying the barracks of the former federal prison on Terminal Island — Prison isn't so bad when the gates are unlocked and open. — There are lots worse places now.

The immediate vicinity surrounding the prison was formerly 100% Japanese. Their business buildings have all been vacated, and the inferior buildings are being torn down. Haven't seen a Jap since arriving on the coast more than two months ago. We are attending a 6-week session of school in a former Japanese Church. The storekeepers (bookkeepers) of the navy are attending school in a former Japanese school building.

Have seen Hollywood, Long Beach, Beverly Hills, and Los Angeles. Also visited the U.S.C. Campus last week, but it in no way compares to scenic K.U.

My address is as follows:

Kenneth M. Hamilton ^{23C}
U.S.N. Receiving Station,
Terminal Island,
San Pedro, Calif.

I shall appreciate receiving a letter of recommendation as soon as it is convenient for you. Thanking you in advance, I am

Sincerely,

Kenneth Hamilton

P.S. — When Californians tell me about their wonderful state and their wonderful schools and athletes, I like to tell them about the time I saw U.S.C. and K.U. in the western play-offs 3 years ago. — especially the last 3 seconds.

June 9, 1942.

Lt. Commander J. J. Tunney,
Training Division,
Bureau of Navigation,
United States Navy.

Dear Commander Tunney:

I am very happy to write in behalf of Mr. Warren J. Newcomer. He is a fine student, a good athlete, and has been an outstanding participant in intramural athletics at the University of Kansas. He is one of our most excellent students in Physical Education.

Warren Newcomer is a man of highest character and splendid attainments. He is clean, capable and courageous. He knows the word loyalty to the nth degree, and I would recommend him to you without reservation. He is a man who can be counted upon at all times.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

June 9, 1942.

Mrs. Ruth Hand Lewis,
Assistant Director of Personnel,
National Headquarters,
American Red Cross,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Lewis:

I am very happy to write you concerning Miss Alice Paden. The questions that you asked concerning Miss Paden's poise, personality, cultural background, enthusiasm and ability to stimulate individual group participation can all be answered with an enthusiastic affirmation.

Miss Paden has been one of our star physical education majors. She has poise and a most pleasing personality. She is cultured and her refinement is a natural talent, it seems, rather than an acquired or veneered one. I would recommend her to you without reservation.

Miss Paden possesses a fine physique, and likewise she has taken exceptionally good care of it. She does not dissipate, yet she is very sensible and has a reasonable tolerance. She is very careful of her personal appearance, has a strong personality and radiates an intelligence that is very wholesome.

There is no question about her loyalty to the United States. She is one of our 100 per centers.

It is with great pleasure that I recommend her to you.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.



AMERICAN RED CROSS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 5, 1942

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

Dear Sir:

Miss Alice Paden has recently placed an application with us for an overseas assignment as a Recreational Worker. She has given us your name for a reference.

We are seeking for this type of service Workers with cultural background as well as training. Such a person must have poise, a pleasing personality, enthusiasm, and the ability to stimulate individual and group participation. A friendly yet impersonal attitude toward her fellow workers and the ability both to recognize and accept military etiquette and regulations is essential. There must be a willingness to meet general conditions because of the uncertainty of assignments. Naturally such an appointment as we are considering for Miss Paden demands strong physical stamina because of the heavy pressure which will necessarily be placed upon her. There must likewise be unquestioned loyalty to the United States. Since her work will be with the convalescent men in the Station Hospitals, she must be both comfortable and adaptable in such an atmosphere. And lastly, such a person must have resources within herself and be able to utilize those available in the community.

If you feel Miss Paden can qualify for such a position, we will greatly appreciate your giving this inquiry your earliest attention, since we are bending every effort to building up a potential staff to meet the present emergency.

Very sincerely yours,

Ruth Hand Lewis

(Mrs.) Ruth Hand Lewis
Assistant Director
Personnel

Miss Grizzell was a major in our Department of Physical Education where she made an outstanding record. She maintained a good scholastic record, handled her practice teaching capably, and showed great qualities of leadership. She is personable, congenial, cooperative and intelligent. I am very happy to recommend her for a teaching position.

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach,
University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.

June 8, 1942.

June 5, 1942.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very happy to write in behalf of Robert L. Woodbury, a student at the University of Kansas, who is making application for admission to the Army Air Corps.

Woodbury is a young man of fine character, good habits, industrious and persevering. He is making a fine record scholastically, and at the same time is working for a part of his expenses. He is very personable, modest, and conscientious in his efforts. During the past year he has assisted as clerk in our intramural office.

I am very glad to recommend him for your consideration.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

May 28, 1942.

Mr. H. C. Willis,
Superintendent, A.T.&S.F.,
Chanute, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Willis:

I have your letter of inquiry concerning Garold Thomas Unsell. I remember him as a student here at the University of Kansas in 1937, and he worked for a short period as a student assistant in our towel room. His service was satisfactory, and of course at the close of school in June the job was terminated.

To the best of my knowledge his conduct was exemplary, and I would not hesitate to employ him again.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company

OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT

G. R. BUCHANAN,
Superintendent

Chanute, Kansas, May 18, 1942

Mr. F. Allen, Teacher,
Kansas University,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

In his application for position as Switch Fireman with this Company, Garold Thomas Unsell states that he was employed by you as Student from May 11, 1937 to June 4, 1937.

Will you please advise if this statement is correct, if his conduct and services were satisfactory while in your employ, cause for leaving, and if you would care to recommend him for this position.

This information is necessary to enable me to approve his application and your early reply will be greatly appreciated and treated strictly confidential.

Yours very truly

H. C. Willis

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May 27, 1942.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very happy to recommend Mr. John A. Endacott whom I have known since his boyhood. He came up through the public schools of Lawrence and has also attended the University of Kansas.

He is a cousin of Paul Endacott, executive vice president of the Phillips Petroleum Company, and all the Endacotts in Lawrence bear a very fine reputation. He has been employed at the University for the last ten years, and during the past five years has worked as an electrician.

Mr. Endacott is a young man of excellent character, a dependable worker, and a substantial citizen of the community. He is well-liked by all with whom he comes in contact.

I am very glad to write in behalf of Mr. John Endacott.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

May 27, 1942.

To Whom It May Concern:

I desire to say that I have known James A. Endacott for more than twenty-five years. This young man grew up in Lawrence and was educated in our public schools and also attended the University of Kansas.

Mr. Endacott has been a fine citizen, a dependable worker and a real gentleman. He is an electrician by trade and his work has been of the highest efficiency. He does not use narcotics, and I am very happy to recommend him as a loyal, dependable worker and a splendid cooperator.

He has been employed at the University of Kansas for ten years, the last six and one-half of which he has served as electrician. He is well and favorably known and is popular among his fellow workers and the faculty at the University.

I am very happy to make this recommendation for Mr. Endacott.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.