

Personal Sketches
University of Kansas Basketball
1940-1941

ALLEN, ROBERT- center- 21 -home, Lawrence; graduate of Lawrence high school, 1937; coached by Edd Wood. Now in his third year as a regular on the Kansas basketball team. Plays the "quarterback" or ball handling position, and also can play guard or forward if desired. Youngest son of Coach Forrest C. Allen. Has been playing basketball ever since he was big enough to lift a ball. Wonderful ball handler and good shot. Good enough on defense to make a good guard. Made the all-tournament team at the N.C.A.A. tournament last year. Studying to be a doctor.

ARNOLD, JAMES- forward- 21 -home, Downs; graduate of Downs high school, 1937; coached by Paul Starbuck. Outstanding player at the Class B state high school tournament his senior year. Rangy boy who did not compete his sophomore year, concentrating on his studies. Played last year, but did not letter. Good rebound man and fair shot. An honor student.

BUESCHER, JOHN- forward or center- 20 -home, Beardstown, Ill.; graduate of Beardstown high school, 1938; coached by Clyde McQueen. Potentially a great basketball player. Incredibly smooth for a sophomore. Although skinny enough to be known as "The Thin Man", he is a vicious scrapper in scrambles for the ball. Superb passer and a fine rebound man. Was interested in coming to K.U. by one of Dr. Allen's best friends, who resides in Beardstown. The star of last year's freshman team.

ENGLEMAN, HOWARD- forward- 21 -home, Arkansas City; graduate of Arkansas City high school, 1937; played under Coach Everett Nicholson. A brilliant scoring forward. Not the world's most consistent cager, but a player who can reach sizzling heights. Holds the K.U. individual scoring record at 27 points, a mark he set against Oklahoma as a sophomore. Known as "Rope", due to his kinky blonde hair. Was hot at the N.C.A.A. tournament in Kansas City last year, averaging 13 points a game in three contests. Racked up his season's high of 21 points there, against Rice. Made the all-tournament team. A very smooth ball player.

HALL, VANCE- forward- 19 -home, Downs; graduate of Downs high school, 1939; coached by Paul Starbuck and Cade Suran. A high school sensation, who averaged about 17 points a game his senior year playing with a small Class B high school. Outstanding asset is his shooting eye. Can loop them in from long range and is a good one-hand shot. Surprisingly good on rebounds. Needs polish, but has improved a good deal in a year.

HALLBERG, JOHN- forward- 19 -home, Kansas City, Mo.; graduate of Westport high school in Kansas City, 1939; played under Coach Gayle Chubb. A Kansas hope for the future. This young giant who stands 6 feet 8 inches tall is not expected to see much action this year, but may eventually develop into a good basketball player. Is too awkward now.