Personal Sketches University of Kansas Basketball 1939-1940

ALLEN, ROBERT- center- 20 -home, Lawrence; graduate of Lawrence high school, 1937; coached by Edd Wood. Youngest son of Coach Forrest C. Allen. Has been playing basketball since his kindergarten days. A fine ball handler and all-around player. Holds down the "quarterback" position which his brother Milton played in 1935 and 1936. Played guard, center and forward in high school. Good man on defense. Runs the team on offense and does his share of the scoring. A junior.

high school, 1936; prepped by Coach O.C. Ostenberg. Brother of Ray Ebling, Kansas All-American forward who graduated in 1936. After a mediocre freshman year, battled his way into a first string forward berth on the 1938 championship team. Was in pretty much of a slump last year. Good on set shots and an excellent free thrower. A very good rebound man for his size. Makes up for lack of height with worlds of fight.

ENGLEMAN, HOWARD- forward- 19 -home, Arkansas City; graduate of Arkansas City high school, 1937; played under Coach Everett Nicholson. A sensation on the 1938 Jayhawk freshman team. An excellent scorer last year as a sophomore. Finished in the first ten of the Big Six scoring leaders last winter. Set a new K.U. individual scoring record for one game when he chalked up 27 points against Oklahoma here last year. Almost impossible to guard around the basket. A junior.

HARP, RICHARD- Guard- 21 -home, Kansas City, Kan.; graduate of Rosedale high school in Kansas City, 1936; coached by Roscoe Brown. A great guard as a sophomore at K.U. Went into a slump last year. His work on defense fell down and his shooting was off. Appears to be back in stride now. If he plays as well as he appears capable of playing, he should rank high nationally among college defense men. At his best, he is a brilliant defensive player and a deadly accurate long shot.

HOGBEN, WILLIAM- guard- 19 -home, Kansas City, Mo.; graduate of South-west high school in Kansas City, 1937; coached by Mel Bishop. Played frequently during the first semester last year and then was lost to the team because of scholastic ineligibility during the second term. Would have lettered had it not been for this. A smooth guard. Was in the starting lineup at guard in the second game of the season this winter.

HUNTER, T.P.- forward or guard- 22 -home, Oklahoma City, Okla. Graduate of Central high school in Oklahoma City, 1937; coached by Clarence Breithaupt. Was a member of the Jayhawks; crack freshman team in 1938. Scholastically ineligible for varsity competition the first semester last year and did not see any action the second semester. A lanky boy.

JOHNSON, ROBERT- forward- 19 -home, Kansas City, Kan.; graduate of Shawnee Mission high school at Merriam, 1938; played under Coach Harold Reade. The best prospect in an unusually weak sophomore crop. May not see much action this winter because of the number of veterans available, but will be valuable in the next few years. Looks like the old Jayhawk star, Fred Pralle, and has the same driving spirit.