



GREETINGS AT CHRISTMAS

This card says
"Merry Christmas"
But it means a
whole lot more,
For it includes
just EVERYTHING
That's worth the
wishing for.

Bire Kamey

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England

Dear doc and Ed, Herb & others who
may still be there —

Greeting. I don't know exactly who is still
in the Mens Gym but you, doc, are a piece
of K4 and I'll address this to you.

I want to also attend the ~~Season's~~ Best from
Romey to Ebel, Herb et al.

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BRITISH

April 13, 1943.

Colonel Robert Rossow, Cav. Res.,
Director, Woodcraft Camp,
Culver Military Academy,
Culver, Indiana.

Dear Colonel Rossow:

I was delighted to have your letter of April 7th. Last Saturday I got in touch with Solon G. Ayers, Superintendent of Haskell Institute, and made an appointment for Monday with him. Today I went to Haskell at his request and interviewed these five boys.

Louis Beavers seems to be the best of the lot that would be available. Henry Shemayne is more mature, but he is in A-1. He is 19 years of age and has a fine personality, but is not as huskily built as the other boys. However, he is far ahead of the group as far as maturity is concerned in handling situations.

You will notice the only boys that they are recommending are boys 17 years of age, with the exception of Shemayne. Jacob Severs is a pretty fine chap but he is very reticent, and when I interviewed the boys I asked if there was any possibility of their getting homesick, and he was one of the boys who mentioned that it might be possible.

The other boy is Dewey Wolf Voice. Wolf Voice is a Montana Indian and seems to have a lot of what it takes for a boy of his age, but I do not believe that he is nearly as efficient or as personable as Louis Beavers. Melvin Asbill is a fine, clever, little fellow.

I would recommend Louis Beavers Number One. Then, if the draft doesn't catch Henry Shemayne I would say that he would do a good job, but his physique is somewhat against him - tall, angular, and does not look any too strong although I believe he could stand it. He is in the commercial class out there, has graduated from high school, and would have taken law at the University of Alabama but when he became eligible for the draft he came back to Haskell and went into the business school here.

Every one of these boys are highly recommended by the superintendent and principal of the school as dependable, efficient, and A Number One leaders for their age.

The reason I am enclosing only two photographs of these boys is because these are the only two who were here last year. Haskell photographs all of these boys, to be used in their activity ticket. I am sending you all of this material so that you can make your own decision, and after you have made it if you will communicate with

Mr. Ayers or me we will be glad to help you further.

I was mighty happy to know that you and Mrs. Rossow are well. We had learned from a young lieutenant over at Ft. Leavenworth who was here for one of the football games that your son is in the diplomatic corps and that he was in the Embassy in Panama. When he visits you give him our kindest regards. And also congratulate the son and his wife, Kay, upon the fine offspring who will be such a pleasure to you.

With best wishes from the Allens to the Rossows, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH
Enc.

CULVER MILITARY ACADEMY
THE CULVER EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
CULVER, INDIANA

April 7, 1943.

Dr. Forest C. Allen,
801 Louisiana Avenue,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Phot:

Apparently I only write you letters when I want your help in some matter. The help that I am asking for this year is identical to that of last year, when you did such a fine job for us in finding the young Indian that we had with us in the Woodcraft Camp last summer. The young man was highly satisfactory, but he is not available to us this year because, as I understand it, he has entered one of the services.

Last year I wrote the Superintendent of Haskell Institute and, after a long wait, he recommended two young Indians that you looked over. I am wondering, this year, whether the approach on the subject would not be best coming from you. How about it? We want another Indian - young or old, who would fit into the picture here, and you know about the qualifications that we are looking for. Could you call up, by phone, and determine whether or not there is any of this type available? We certainly will appreciate it if you will do so.

We will pay the young man \$250.00 cash, plus his room and board, for the session of eight weeks. The camp opens on June 30th and closes on August 24th this year. However, it will be necessary for all instructors to report at camp about five days before the opening for a week of preliminary instruction.

We lost about two-thirds of our entire Woodcraft Camp staff to one or the other of the services. Out of forty-five officers that we had last year I am finding it necessary to replace about thirty. I am having pretty good success in it, however, and things are beginning to look brighter every day.

I suppose that your family is considerably scattered, due to the war. When you write me let me know where they are, for Mrs. Rossow and I are genuinely interested to keep in touch with the children of our friends. My young son is in

Dr. Forest C. Allen

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the Diplomatic Corps and is now stationed, as third secretary, to the Embassy in Panama. We are all excited over the fact that he has a month's leave and will be up to see us next month. He was married several years ago and his nice young wife, Kay, presented us with a grandson who was named after me. Naturally, I am somewhat puffed up about the matter.

Mrs. Rossow joins me in kindest regards to all of the Allens. We pray that good luck will follow you and yours.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

Robt. Rossow

Robt. Rossow,
Colonel, Cav. Res.,
Director, Woodcraft Camp.

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Leon Pierson

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Melvin Asbill

May 16, 1942.

Colonel Robert Rossow,
Culver Military Academy,
Culver, Indiana.

Dear Colonel Rossow:

I have spent a couple of days contacting Floyd Primaux and Arthur Raymond.

I find that Primaux lived at Ponca City, Oklahoma, and that he is rather a reticent chap. He has played softball, has taught archery at Camp Crosley, he is a fair horseman - in fact, a very good one, and withal he would be picturesque dressed in Indian costume. However, he is the typical type of our conception of the early Indian. He does not say one more word than he has to, but he is quite pleasant when addressed. He is a good baseball player, played second base on his teams, and is a good softball player.

I think that you would not make a mistake in selecting him, but I find myself strongly in favor of Arthur Raymond. This boy is a very versatile and highly intelligent, personable young Indian boy. He is a pre-medical student here at the University of Kansas and he impresses me most forcibly. He is a fine looking Sioux Indian with a high forehead, and I would say, a most intelligent countenance, and he possesses a fine physique. He is the bronze-colored Indian - the fine Sioux type. Primaux is the darker Indian, more of the Creek or Cherokee or Pawnee type. Raymond has a clear skin while Primaux has rather a mottled skin.

I find that Raymond was president of the student council of his school. He attended the Rosebud Indian School where he made an excellent record. He was also editor of the school paper. He played football for three years on his high school team. His mother and father are dead but he has an only sister who is his guardian. Each summer he has worked at a job either carpentering or dairying.

He was a representative from Aberdeen, S. D. on Boys' State. You are well acquainted, are you not, Colonel, with the American Legion's activities in developing these boys to take representative positions of state offices and have these chaps carry through as the officials of the state carry through in their executive, legislative and judicial acts.

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This chap seems to be an all-round boy because he knows the Sioux Indian dances and can teach them well. He is 19 years of age and has been away from home four or five years, which would convince me that he could fit into your scheme well indeed. I am sure that you would find him adaptable to your set up and I would recommend him very highly with a conviction that he would not disappoint you in any way.

I spent quite some time intensively interviewing these boys. And at the time that I talked with them I let them know there were other boys being considered for the job. I wanted to put a little pressure on them to bring out the best that was in them. If I were hiring either one of these two boyt it would not take me long to decide on Arthur Raymond.

Mrs. Allen was mighty happy to receive your letter and to hear from you. Mary (Leander's mother) is at our home preparing to leave for California with her family. Her husband has been stationed on the Coast and will be there so they are moving to Carmel-on-the-Sea. I remember spending a day there and it was a lovely place to sojourn. I am sure that the children will be very happy to be near their dad and have the family united. About three months ago Lee Hamilton, my son-in-law, was moved out on the Coast and I know that he will appreciate having his family together again.

With all good wishes to you and your colleagues, and wishing to be remembered to all, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

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

2nd Base

Archery

Fair House

Soft Ball

11:30 Friday -

away from home -
4 or 5 yrs

Lloyd, Primrose
Saint Dance

age

Boys State Cherkin S.D.

19 Pre Med.

Dairy

Arthur Raymond
Summer ^{superior student} Senior

Student Council President
Carpenter Center
Poseburn Indian School
Elder School Paper Center Half Back
Fathal

Ballard

Black

Buescher

Evans

Hall

Hunter

Johnson

CULVER MILITARY ACADEMY
THE CULVER EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
CULVER, INDIANA

May 11, 1942.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
801 Louisiana Ave.,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

The Culver Woodcraft School is looking for a young Indian who can take on the job of teaching Indian lore, Indian dancing, and add local color in the Woodcraft Camp this summer. We lost the young man that we had last year to the Army. Naturally, I am looking for a more or less steady young man, of reasonable intelligence, and picturesque personality if possible. He should also adjust himself to the fact that it will be necessary for him to accept our ways of doing things. We had an Indian here from the Pacific Coast several years ago who balked at every suggestion that we made regarding his work in Indian dancing, etc.

11:30 Fri. I wrote the Acting Superintendent of Haskell Institute, Mr. Solon G. Ayers, recently and asked him to recommend one or more young Indians for this job. I am in receipt of a letter from him today in which he recommends two Indians. The first one's name is Arthur Raymond, a Sioux Indian and freshman student at the University of Kansas. The second one is named Floy~~g~~ Primeaux, who is now a senior at Haskell Institute. The latter has had some experience as an Indian counselor, having worked last summer at Camp Grosley.

I am wondering whether we could not impose on your friendship sufficiently to get you to look over these two young men. Primeaux, off hand, seems like the best bet, but if you will have a talk with both of them and advise us we certainly will appreciate it here at Culver. We don't like to hire an Indian "sight on seen".

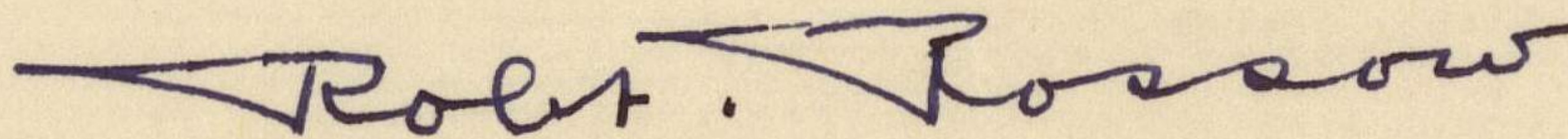
Your grandson, Leander Hamilton, made a very nice record with us last summer. I saw his mother and had visits with her a number of times.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen

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Please extend my kindest regards to
Mrs. Allen and to all the members of your family, and
with best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,



Robt. Rossow,
Col. Cav. Res.,
Director Woodcraft Camp.

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April 7, 1943.

Mr. Harold Read,
Coach,
Shawnee-Mission High School,
Shawnee-Mission, Kansas.

Dear Harold:

I have been intending to write you upon several occasions; first, upon your winning the district tournament at Lawrence, then the regional at Topeka, and then upon winning the real McCoy at Salina. You certainly took it out on Kansas City, Kansas (Wyandotte), did you not? My, you are rough on those big city boys!

You must have had a great team and I wish that you would extend my congratulations to one and all of your fine championship outfit.

No, I am not trying to proselyte any of your fine players, but I just wanted you to know that I do appreciate what a difficult task it is for a fellow to take a bunch of high school boys and go through to such a splendid record as you have done. Again, congratulations!

With best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

March 8, 1943

My dear friend "Doc" :-

So happy to get your letter,
but sorry about the
departure of the men to
the parcels — The war eats
in, day by day slowly &
surely and finally we
awaken to the fact that
we are at war — Clear in.

I have just about
completed the training of
my crew for BDF #17 —
and today I completed their
papers making them ready
for the sea — They've been
a hard working bunch
and I've put them thro'
not a little bit of hell —

It is not known yet
whether I'll be sent
to sea or shall remain
ashore to train future
crews - It matters not
to me only if in the
end I can return to
my beloved Kansas
and remain there the
rest of my life -

I feel that someday
this is going to be over &
then maybe we can settle
down to some living
amid good friends and
beautiful gardens and
conquer our 'fighting' to
very narrow limits -

I have not been
surprised at the
winning again of the Digby title

for I had faith in you
and the hoop - I saw
the Ousba score but knew
even before your letter what
had happened -

I'm sorry about the Analogy
Bldg Fire - Maybe there were
some gap steps in there &
someone was trying to
show some patriotism &
'Noc', you can feel proud
of N.A. again for a good
number of the men who came here
in the Phy. Ed. program were kept
on the Main Staff - Masoner, Jack
Hall, Klamm, But Katy, and
others - In looking over
the bunch, Jim concluded
that they had a little extra

something that only
a Kansan can acquire.
It surely appeals well for
your Department, for K.U.
and for Kansas — I
don't believe any other
University in U.S. has
any amount near
the number per capita
in the Department
stationed at the Main
Base for such work in
the Navy — I know Chancellor
Malott would enjoy knowing
that. It means that the
men come thro' after their
own their own —

My big beam is someday
to return here a fit into
something, no matter what.
I hope to see you someday soon
Sincerely yours
Bill

REFER TO NO.

BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL
NAVY DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF NAVAL OFFICER PROCUREMENT
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Address Reply to:
The Office of Naval Officer Procurement,
Second Floor, Finance Building,
1009 Baltimore Ave., Kansas City, Missouri,
and not to the signer of this letter

March 28, 1943

Dear Sir:

Reference: Robert W. Raugh

Application for commission in the U. S. Naval Reserve

In placing this important matter before you, it is sincerely regretted that a personal letter cannot be sent, but to do so would make it necessary to divert energy now focused on other wartime duties.

The conscientious thought given your reply to this request may affect the welfare and safety of many men, as the man about whom we are writing may eventually be in a position of command. Therefore, the requested information is of more than usual significance, and will have an important bearing on the final decision.

Please complete the enclosed questionnaire so as to indicate the applicant's qualities. Although we have itemized several questions which we would like answered, we urge you to give us complete information at the bottom of the sheet concerning his character, personality, standing in his community, and your opinion as to his desirability for appointment. If significant, distinguish between facts and opinions from your own knowledge and those based on extraneous information.

A return envelope is enclosed. This information is officially requested and will be treated as strictly confidential by the Navy Department. Please accept our thanks for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

F. D. Kelly
F. D. KELLY
Lieutenant (jg), USNR

Mr. F. C. Allen,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kans.

March 3, 1943.

Mr. Wayne Replogle,
U. S. Naval Training Station,
Norfolk, Virginia.

Dear Bill:

Delighted to have your note, and I'm glad to know things are going well with you.

We are leaving tonight for Omaha where we will have but one regular to play on the team and the other seven boys are scraped from the bottom of the barrel. Evans, Schnellbacher, Baker, Brill, Dixon, Short and Blair will not make the trip, but we will take Johnny Buescher, Larry McSpadden, Paul Turner, Max Kissell, Jack Ballard, Bob Fitzpatrick, George Dick and Bill Forsyth. So you can see we will be murdered, but it is a token trip because all of our other boys have been called in the service and want to go home a few days rather than to play the game against Creighton. They are not particularly interested, somehow, and I can't blame them.

Lots of good luck to you, Bill.

Cordially yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Harper

Dear Doc:

You helped me a
great deal by whipping
Ole G & M — & how
to work with one of
this former wrestling
coaches & now he keeps
still — all's well
here and I'm so

Am anxious to return
to solid earth -

Always loved Texas

but living in, on, & near

Salt water makes

Texas just about

the nearest place to heaven

I could imagine

Good luck to you & the

Men

Yours sincerely

Doc Replage

Physical Instructors School
Squad 72
U. S. Naval Training Station
Norfolk, Virginia

January 18

Mr. F. P. Allen,
Kansas, Univ. of,
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear "Doc" :-

Wonderful to get your letter - We have finished our training period & our class has been scattered from New York to Hawaii -

I was placed on the Staff here at the Base in Norfolk - It is supposed to be an honor - I got it by damn hard study and an academic grade average of 3.64 (Basis of 4.00) - I am not sure just what I'll be assigned to do but should know in a few days - my nearest grade competitor was a fellow by name of Terry from Mississippi who had grade of 3.42 - If ever in my life I fought

to outdo younger men & prove
that such could be done I did
it this time & I give the credit
to the spirit of Kansas which
is to be found in most of its
people —

I'm happy that your team is coming
along ex — Nothing else would
do — Keep it going for
some day I'm coming back to
Kansas U. & I hope I can
do some good there in
some capacity to keep it
the good university I know
it will always be —

I've seen Paul Mason, Jack Hall
& Bucaty — all are fine — Bucaty
is in DeStray's School — Hall & Mason
in Drill & I guess I'll remain
in the Phy Inst. School as far as I
know —

Hope to see you
Best regards

Bill

March 15, 1943.

Senator R. C. Rankin,
State House,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Rob:

You are a charm! You never forget to say the right thing at the right time to your good friends. And I want you to know that I consider you one of my very best.

Through the years I have always known where I could find Robert C. Rankin, and that is something these days. Again, I say thank you a million, Rob, I appreciate things like this from you more than you know.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

STATE OF KANSAS

ROBERT C. RANKIN
SENATOR FIFTH DISTRICT
LAWRENCE, KANSAS



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SENATE CHAMBER
March 8, 1943

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS
CHAIRMAN RAILROADS
VICE CHAIRMAN EMPLOYEES
MEMBER ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION
ELECTIONS
FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT
MILITARY AFFAIRS
PUBLIC UTILITIES
SUPERVISION OF JOURNAL
WAYS AND MEANS

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

Dear Phog:

I want to tell you how pleased I am because of your successful season and extend my congratulations.

I have not been able to join in the recognition given y you and the team by our grateful citizens which I know is sincere and very pleasing to all concerned.

My work here has prevented my seeing you personally but I hope to tell you later how proud I am of your great accomplishment.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert".

Robert C. Rankin

RCR/pw

Saturday

Dear Ray,

After what we did today I felt I ought to tell you how much good the training I got in your class did me. Alternately all day we had drill and the so-called P.T. (which, I suppose, stands for physical training). Well, in the P.T. I was still going strong after many of the "bigger boys" had sunk to the ground. In the drill I was amazed to see how many of the group fumbled pitifully at commands

which I already knew how
to execute with something
approaching military precision.
And now at the end of the
day, I think I could begin
all over again, whereas most of
the bunks around me have
aviation cadets either prone or
prostrate on them. (Probably
it'll hit me sometime in the
middle of the night.)

After which little testimonial,
I'll sign off. If you get a chance,
you might drop me a line; I'll
be glad to know where you are
and what you are going to do.
Sincerely,
Norman

February 26, 1943.

Mr. Eugene S. Riggs,
1408 Eighth Ave.,
New Brighton, Pa.

Dear Mr. Riggs:

I am sorry that I have neglected answering your favor of the 14th instant sooner. I have been out of town much of late which caused me to neglect my correspondence.

The Sunflower Ordnance Works, which is the construction company for the Hercules Powder Company, at DeSoto, Kansas, is a very large defense industry. My son, Milton Allen, a graduate of the University and a former varsity player on my team, is assistant to the chief investigator of the Hercules Powder Company. I spoke to him about your case and I am sure if you will write to him and ask for an application blank that you will get some definite attention. While he is not in the personnel division, I have spoken to him and I know that he will help you.

As soon as you fill out the application blank write me again and I will follow through in your behalf.

I am sorry that I do not have time at present to answer in full your very fine letter, but on account of your boy's illness I will rush this through and at a later date hope to have a visit with you. DeSoto is only 15 miles from Lawrence, Kansas. My son and I both reside in Lawrence.

Thanking you for your kind words and assuring you of my desire to be of some help to you and your family, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

February 14, 1943.

Mr. Forest C. Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

This letter coming from me to you will no doubt be somewhat of a surprise - but I am going to write in my own words, circumstances, then I know you will understand and not take any offense to my writing.

Three years ago - I attended a Basketball Banquet at Mc Donald, Ohio (just outside of Youngstown, Ohio), and you were the speaker of the evening. I never regretted being there, that evening, because from that time on you went down in my books as one of the best in basketball. In all of the Basketball Clinics and meetings I've attended - I

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Can truthfully say that your interpretations of the rules, basketball offenses & defenses were explained better and more clearly than any I've heard to date. Since that time I've read several articles concerning you and your U. of Kansas team. Also read about your game of Hi-Basket - which I think would give the smaller player just as much chance as the taller ones.

Mr. Allen, this letter concerns my son more than anything else; we live in New Brighton, Pa., just 30 miles northwest of Pittsburgh. My boy has been suffering from a rheumatic heart condition, (rheumatic fever), and various doctors have told my wife and I to get him to another climate. Beaver Valley has a very damp atmosphere and it's anything but good for his condition. The little fellow is six years of age and we

had to take him out of school just a month after he started in September. We were told to keep him out for one year and from his last check-up with the Doctor - we decided something must be done for him.

I don't know anyone in the Mid-West or West and I'm writing to you if you might be in position to let me know if there are any places, (Defense Work, preferably), I can contact. It so happens that all of my relatives live in this Tri-State sector of Penna., Ohio and West Virginia.

My work is of clerical nature - having been employed in the office of a Steel Concern for the past six years. My salary has been exceptionally good - but I'm willing to take any kind of a cut in wages - providing it advances the health of our boy. I am willing to do most anything or make any kind of a

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change if it helps him. I am a graduate of
Rochester, Pa., High and attended Duquesne University
at Pittsburgh.

I was talking with the Superintendent of
our Company and he said I could obtain a release
providing I get work in a different climate. As
far as references are concerned - I'm not worried
and I know my work has been satisfactory as
far as the officials of this Company are concerned.

Mr. Allen, I would appreciate you writing
me a letter and telling me if you think there
is some kind of work I might get into -
out that way. If you could let me know of
some Companies or firms - I'll gladly contact
them.

To let you know more about myself -
in a basketball way - I belong to the National
Board, Beaver Valley Basketball Officials' Assn., +
the Penna. Interscholastic Athletic Assn. I work both
High School and College ball.

Hoping this letter hasn't asked too
much of you + won't cause any inconvenience,
I am,

ADDRESS: -

1408 - EIGHTH AVE.
NEW BRIGHTON, PA.

Sincerely,
Eugene S. Riggs

February 27, 1943.

Mr. Milton P. Allen,
Hercules Powder Company,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mit:

I have written this fellow asking him to write you for an application blank. He is in real need and I will appreciate anything you can do.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Enc.