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Mr. Marshall E. Martin,.
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Dear Marshall:

I have had a short visit with your brother, Stanley. He tells me that you are interested in physical education and that you have played on your Southeast High School second team and made a fairly good record. He pointed out that your size was perhaps against you while you were in high school. Stanley thinks you might be interested in a physical education course at the University of Kansas.

I am sending you a catalog of our physical education curriculum. Page four will give you the outline for the four years here in college. The fact that you are 17 years of age would enable you to get at least one year of college work before you might be called. I am very sure that Uncle Sam will plan some sort of a post-war program for the men in the service.

A college education offers a young man many opportunities. Not only does he make friends of men in all counties of the state, which is an invaluable aid to his professional or business life after he has graduated, but physical education and athletic practice lend zest and enjoyment during your college days. Physical education is definitely now a profession. A few years ago it was questioned as a durable course for a livelihood, but when the war broke out the Navy, the Marines and the Army all called on the men who were in physical education and coaching activities. And too, all the colleges have now installed courses for the instruction and development of teachers in this very worth while activity. After the war, physical education and recreation as well as health principles will be strongly stressed. It is my opinion that a leader who goes to the top in the way of preparing himself for this worth while activity will find many avenues of advancement and progress open to him.

Practically all of my varsity basketball team were called into the service immediately at the close of our basketball season - Ray Evans, Charlie Black, Otto Schnellbacher, Armand Dixon, Jack Ballard, Hoyt Baker, George Dick, Bill Brill, Don Blair, Gene Sherwood and Bob Fitzpatrick, all are in the service and many of them are training for aviation and physical education in their various branches of the service.

I am writing you this letter in the hope that I can open a vista of the future that will enable you to study the catalog rather carefully and write me as to the possibilities of your entering the