

August 5, 1941.

Mr. Ed Hall,
Sublette, Kansas.

Dear Eddie:

Thank you for your good letter of August 2nd. I certainly will be looking for you on or about August 8th, and we will do our very best to line Schnellie up with a good school.

I know Mr. Severe and Mr. Cox. Virgil was a good Sig Alph brother of Frosty's when he was in school. Virg flunked out and graduated from Washburn College. He has always been that way. Virg practiced law at Dodge City, but John Barleycorn got to him and he lost out there and went back to his home town, Ashland. He makes a good front, but he is not much powder. Ad was also a good Sig Alph, so he would pick up any of the transients like Virgil to do his business.

If Virgil spent half as much time giving attention to his business as he did to his philandering around over the country he would be a lot better off.

So I'll be looking for you, Eddie, and I assure you both will be welcome. Sometime along about the 14th or 15th of August I am going to leave for the coaching school in Iowa, so be sure to make it before that time.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Sublette, W.
Aug 2, 1941

Dr. Forest C. Allen
Lawrence, Ks.

Dear Doc:

No doubt you will be looking for Otto and I to show up. I ~~keep~~ ^{keep} clear matters up a little, Otto is now in Colorado; a guest of Mr. Cox. He has visited Oklahoma A+M. and is invited to Manhattan. Jack Gardner has been here to see him once.

Oklahoma A+M. made him this offer: \$45. job a month, working one hour a day. A job to pay his out-of-state fees. Sleep in a dorm and eat on a training table.

Pretty soft, eh, Doc!

I don't believe he will consider Colo.

because of the R.O.T.C.

I learned all of this from his brother Albert. Albert is in favor of K. U. and so is Otto, if he hasn't changed his mind.

Would you like to know how Schellie went to Colorado? He was taken there by a K. U. Grad. He is a lawyer from Ashland by the name of Jensen. He came with Ad Lindsey to see me 4 years ago. Now he is working for Frosty Cox, I guess - Besides Schellie he took a couple of boys from Central Kansas.

When Otto gets back from Colorado Saturday, I'm going to bring him up if I can. Probably about the 8th. I'm going to get him up here if I can -

Sincerely Yours
Ed. Wall

Otto Schnellbacher
+ Ed Hall.

June 27th, 1941

Mr. Ed Hall
Sublette, Kansas

Dear Ed:

Thank you for your good letter of the 24th instant. I would like to talk with you and Otto on the proposition of his not going fraternity right away. Also, if he does not want to go out for football I believe I can arrange it so he can make his expenses more easily than if he goes out for both football and basketball.

Many of the football men are not able to go out for other sports on account of the higher specialized sport taking so much time and since basketball is similar to this as a time-taker, I believe that I have an arrangement whereby Otto can make it.

Of course, if Vic Hurt would take him, I would be glad for that arrangement to happen. But, I do not want Vic to think that I'm asking him to take some of my men on his football load. You can rest assured that I will see Otto through. I will arrange for his board and room and his work. But of course if he goes fraternity then they will expect him to work and also to pay fraternity dues besides board and room. When this is all figured up, the boy doesn't have time enough to work.

If he sticks to one sport and doesn't go fraternity his first year, I'm sure that we can arrange it. And then after he is located if some fraternity wants to take him and give him a job and they will permit him to carry his other work, then well and good.

My plan is to take Otto under my wing, guide him and advise with him just as I would one of my own youngsters. If that arrangement can be made, I'm very sure that he will be happy here and I will see that he gets a full college life with none of the dissappointments that a boy has when he comes unguided and sometimes uncared for.

I hope you can come up, Ed, because you, Otto and I can discuss matters which will be for Otto's good and Otto will have confidence that these things will be done, especially if you're able to accompany him.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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

June 27th, 1941

Mr. Otto Sch^{all}bacher
Sublette, Kansas

Dear Otto:

I'm happy to have your good letter of the 24th instant and to learn that you plan to come up the first of August. Yes I will be here and shall be happy to see you.

Now don't let anyone pack you up in a car and take you out of Kansas. I know you're going to be so much happier here than in any other State. I'm happy to have you make your decision for the University of Kansas. I know you'll never regret it and I want you to be wearing a Jayhawker uniform.

Here is one thought that I want you to ponder on, Otto, and that is this: There has never been but one boy that's played three years on a Kansas Varsity basketball team from 1922 until 1941, inclusively, that is not wearing a gold basketball. And some of them are wearing three. This boy, Russell "Rub" Thompson dropped out of school and came back on one of our lean years. So, I want you, Otto, to be one of those for twenty straight years who will be wearing a Big Six Championship gold basketball.

Give Eddie Hall my kindest regards. I think he is a great fellow and one of the best athletes that we ever had. I have always been especially fond of him. He is clean, courageous, and an all-around-good-fellow.

Sincerely,

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

FCA:rc

Sublette Kansas
June 24, 1941

Mr. Forrest Allen
Lawrence Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:

I was very glad to hear from you, it relieved my
mind a great deal. I was talking to Eddie again
and I believe we worked up a little deal so we can
come up in August. It will have to be after
harvest is over.

I am sure Ed wants to come up in August as bad
as I do. Even if he can't I will and I believe every
thing will + would be authentic.

Thank you for your consideration. Will you be
there in August.

Until then

Sincerely yours

Otto Schellbacher.

Sublette Kansas
May 15, 1941

Mr. Forrest Allen
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:

I was glad to hear from you and I can
imagine you & had a grand time at the Relays.
The Boys all a swell bunch of fellows there.

I do not know for sure where I will
go to college. But I have about decided K. U.
That is if I can receive help from K. U. so I
can go to college. I won't be able to receive help
from home because my father isn't living and
I'll have to make my own. I am working now,
and all summer I will have a job. Only need one
during school.

I would like to take up either Phy. Ed. or law.
But I think I would to know more about these.

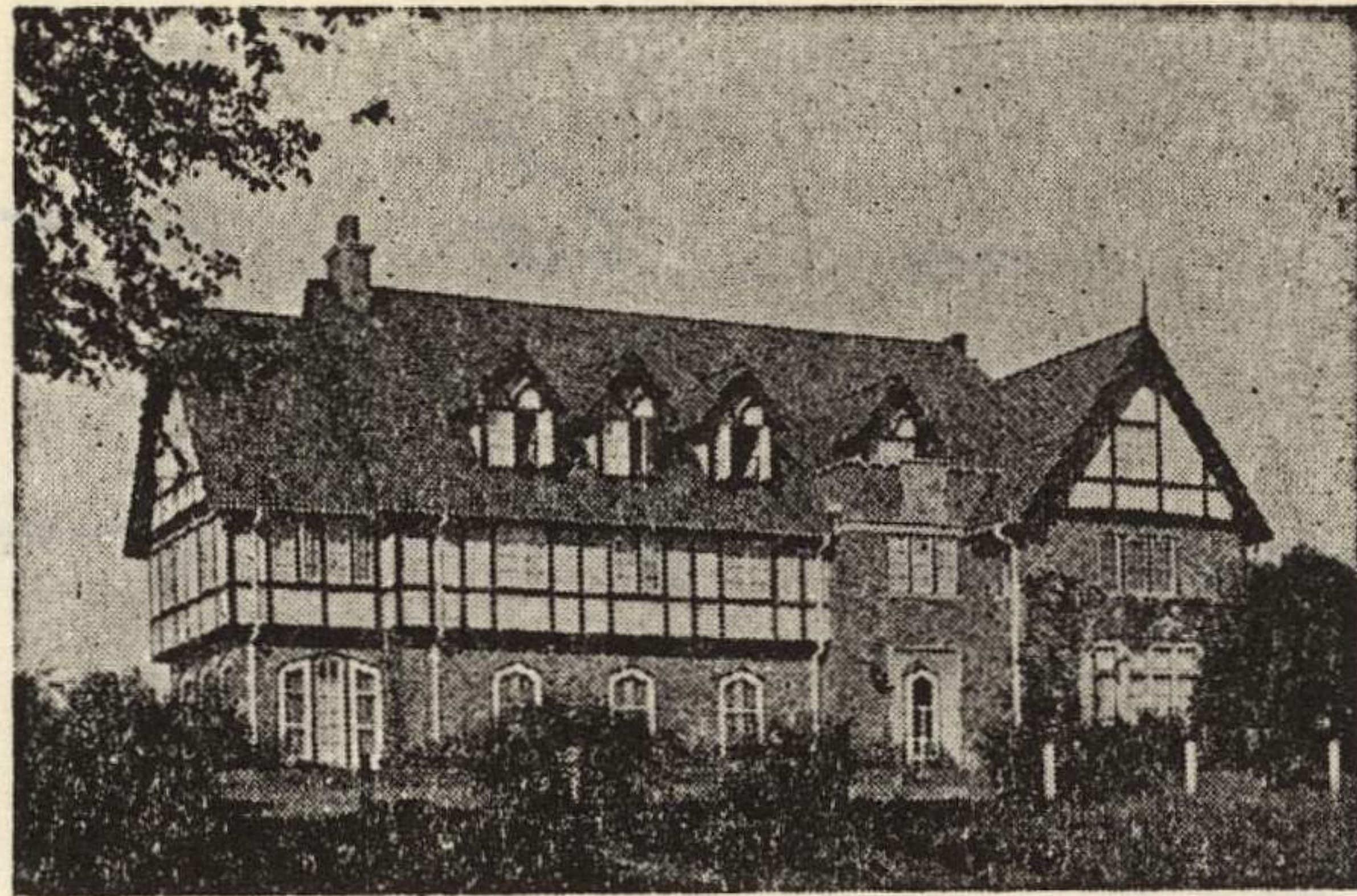
I hope we can get together because I
really am interested in going to school at K. U.

I remain

Sincerely Yours

Otto
Schellbacher.

delta chi
fraternity



kansas chapter
lawrence, kansas

Lawrence, Ks.
June 24

Doctor Allen
Univ. of Kansas
Lawrence, Ks.

Dear Doctor:

I received your letter and
am only too glad to send your
desired information, as I am
anxious to see Otto attend
the University.

Pa will pay board and room
and let him work out his fees.

Cox offered him practically the
same thing, if he would come
there and work for \$85.00 a month
this summer. But Schnellie
didn't accept, as you know.

I dropped in to see Otto this afternoon and assured him that he could get along as well at K.U. as the others, even though the offer didn't seem the same.

I believe he is sold on the idea and if it is at all possible we will come up around the 1st of August. He said he would like too. I would too if

I am not drawn to the army.

Naturally, I hope Jim not.

About a fraternity job! I doubt very much if one will be available. It looks like rush week will be bad with so many men going to the army. If he goes out for football, he can probably get his board at one of the houses. All depends upon the success of Rush week.

Yours
Ed Hall

June 20, 1941

Mr. Otto Schnellbacher,
Sublette, Kansas.

Dear Schnellie:

I have just received your letter this morning and I am writing you to definitely tell you that we want you here in your own state of Kansas and at your own State University.

Yes, sir, we will definitely help you in obtaining work so that you can go to the University of Kansas.

I was grieved to learn of the death of your brother by that fatal stroke of lightning. Eddie told me about it and I definitely expected to write you. I can understand when a catastrophe like that happens how the burden falls on those remaining, and for that additional reason I am doubly anxious that we be of some aid to you in rendering help so that you can attend the University and graduate here with high honors.

I am wondering if it would be possible without your losing much work to come to Lawrence some week-end. I would like to have a talk with you. I am sure that we can find a definite way for you to attend the University of Kansas and make you very happy here. I do not know whether you or Eddie could commandeer an old Ford puddle-jumper and run down some week-end or not. If you can I know that we will make some very definite and satisfactory arrangements. I am anxious that Eddie be with you and me when we talk so that he can assure you that anything we say will be authentic and you can count on it. Do not make a trip out of the state to look things over until you have looked things over in your own state. I will be awaiting a reply from you at your earliest convenience.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Sublette Kansas
June 18, 1941

Mr. Forrest C. Allen
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:

I had a talk with Ed Hall last night about going to K. U. to school. He said that about all a athlete gets to go on is about \$20. a month work.

I would like to go to K. U. very much, and I would have with only \$20. a month from the school. But some things happen that now I will have to have help. What I am getting at is I have better offers some Okla. A. + M. and Colo U. But I want to attend K. U.

My Brother was killed by lightning and I have had to help Burden some of the expense, so I won't have hardly any money save up before school begins. I was wondering if you could not fix it so I could attend school there. I am sure I could do you some good in Basketball. I remain

Sincerely yours

Alto Schellbacher.

P. S. What I would need help on would be tuition and Board + Room.

June 20, 1941.

Mr. Ed Hall,
Sublette, Kansas.

Dear Eddie:

I am mighty happy to have your good letter of the 18th instant. I am glad that you are not working too hard.

I received a letter from Otto Schnellbacher this morning and I am indeed anxious that this chap attend the University of Kansas. Won't you kindly write me at once giving me the information concerning the propositions that Iba at A. & M. and Frosty Cox at Colorado made Schnellie? I am getting a little tired of having these fellows from out of the state come in and pick off our best boys.

I am sending you a carbon copy of the letter that I am writing Schnellie so that you can see that we want him here. Also when you write me, Eddie, will you tell me if you think that Schnellie can get a part-time job at your fraternity house?

Yes, sir, I do have a very definite desire to help him and I am going to see some of our Kansas people and put this proposition directly up to them. You know I am not for spoiling a boy by making any soft promises to him, but here is one of our own boys that two fellows from out of the state are trying to lure out of our territory. I want Schnellie here and I propose to do something about it. I know what the boy wants is an education and I believe that we can arrange that for him. Of course, he will be willing to work and I believe that we can do things for him that will make him happy at the University and allow him to make it the right way. Won't you write me right away and give me this information?

You tell Schnellie that I am for him and I want him here, and not to make up his mind to go out of the state. Thank you, Eddie, for writing me. I appreciate your interest. Remember, when I say I want a fellow I really want him, and I want you to help me convince him of that.

With all good wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education & Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH
Enc.

D. F. C. Allen
Kans. Univ.
Lawrence, Ks.

Sublette, Kans.
June 18, 1941

Dear Doctor:

I suppose you are busy
in Sumner school and working
hard. I'm working but not
too hard, as usual.

Otto Schnellbacher is working
in a grain elevator in Sublette,
and has not made up his mind
where he will go to school
this fall.

Oklahoma A. & M., and Colorado
University, have both given him
attractive offers and I believe he
is going to Oklahoma A. & M. To

look around and see the school
sometime this summer.

He said he would rather go
to N. U. but as you know he
naturally is interested in the
offer given by the other schools.

I asked him to write to
you and explain his circumstances
and I believe he will.

If I can help you in any
way just drop me a line.

With best wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

Ed. Hall

July 19, 1941.

H S Boys

Mr. Stephen Karnowski,
Liberal, Kansas.

Dear Steve:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of
the 16th instant concerning Otto Schnellbacher.

Yes, I know young Schnellbacher, and I am
expecting to see him and Ed Hall some time this
summer.

I do appreciate your loyalty to the Univer-
sity and your interest in seeing that this worthy
young man get his education here.

With best wishes to you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Steve Rannowski
managed Newman Liberal, Kansas
Club in Inman July 16, 1941
Basketball - majoring in Engineering

Mr. Forest Allen
Kansas University
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

Last Sunday I saw the Ben Johnson ball game here, Liberal vs. Larned. I learned quite a bit about young Snellbacher, the basketball boy from Sublette. He plays ball for Liberal.

I approached the boy, and learned that he had met you. From what I gathered by talking to the fans in this part of the state, this young lad has what you want.

Now, getting back to what he said, Young Snellbacher is fairly well sold on K. U.; but told

me that he understood K. U. to be a little more expensive than the other two schools, Colorado U. and Oklahoma U. Being entirely self-supporting, I had no trouble showing him that ours is a poor-boys' school.

Ed Hall lives about 5 miles from Shellbacker and had talked K. U. to him.

I was very much impressed by the mannerly gentleman; he would be a credit to our school. I would advise you to keep in touch with him personally, or have some of the basketball boys write him.

I am working for the Kansas State Highway Commission in the 6th division. If I can help you with any more boys out here, let me know.

Sincerely,
Stephen Kainowski

March 10, 1941

Mr. Otto Schnellbacher
Sublette, Kansas

Dear Otto:

Eddie Hall has been telling me of your wonderful success on the basketball squad. May I extend my congratulations and best wishes to you and the Sublette Team for the wonderful record that you have made, and I congratulate you on the high scoring performance that you displayed in your last game.

Last summer at the State High School Coaching Clinic, held in Topeka, Kansas, I met Mr. Cecil Baker, who used to coach Eddie Hall in high school. I still understand that he does a wonderful job.

I would like to invite you to be our guest at the University of Kansas Relays, which will be held Saturday afternoon April 19. This is the meet for the colleges and the Universities. The high school meet is held the day before. I will be in Oklahoma with our Varsity playing baseball on the 17th and 18th, but will arrive back in time for the morning and afternoon games on the 19th.

About ten o'clock in the morning we invite a number of high school stars in as our guests and the Varsity men put on their basketball clothes and shoot goals with the high school visitors. It has always been a very pleasant occasion and we would like to invite you to come in and shoot goals with our Varsity.

It is not necessary that you bring any equipment because we furnish that to our visitors. I am wondering if you cannot come in and have a good workout the morning of the Relays, and then in the afternoon take in the Relay games.

I am sure Eddie Hall would be very happy to have you as his guest and we would be glad to have you meet our Varsity men and have a good workout. I am sure you will enjoy it.

Please write me and let me know if it is possible for you to come.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

FCA:lg
cc: Ed. Hall

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

March 10, 1941

Mr. Edward Hall
1245 West Campus
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Ed:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I have written to Otto Schnellbacher inviting him to come up and shoot goals with our Varsity Basketball Team on the morning of the Relays, April 19.

I would appreciate it if you would write to Otto.

Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

FCA:lg
Enc.

March 17, 1941

Mr. Otto Schnellbacher
Sublette, Kansas

Dear Otto:

I am happy to hear from you. I trust that it will be possible for you to come up Saturday morning, April 19, at Robinson Gymnasium, and shoot a few goals with our Varsity and Freshmen, and other high school boys who will be here.

We do not make a lot out of this event; merely just the fun of shooting some goals and getting a shower bath and having a good time. There is no especially planned program and of course in the afternoon we have the Relays, so the day is spent in a recreative manner rather than any high pressure methods that some organizations might use.

I am glad that you met Mr. Replogle. We think he is a fine fellow.

Anticipating the pleasure of meeting you here Saturday morning, April 19, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach

FCA:lg

Sublette KANSAS.
March 16, 1941.

Mr. Forrest Allen
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

I was very glad to receive your letter. Due to the regional tournament at Garden City I was unable to answer your letter sooner.

Sat. "March 15." Mr. Wayne Replegle was here in our community and looked me up. We had a good visit. I enjoyed meeting him for he is a very likeable person.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for the invitation to be your guest at the Kansas Relays on April 18+19. At the present time I am planning to attend this event. I am looking forward to meeting you.

Sincerely yours.

Otto Schullbacher.

August 14, 1941.

Mr. Vernon Sivertsen,
Ru Heights, S. Dakota.

Dear Vernon:

Pardon my delay in not answering your good letter of July 24th sooner. Our summer session closed soon after I received your letter and being in the midst of the closing of school hindered me somewhat.

It would not be possible for me to aid anyone in avoiding tuition. However, if a boy could have a relative legally adopt him, naturally that individual would not have to pay out-of-state tuition. I told Wilfred Thompson that there was one boy adopted here by a lawyer, but they did not have my aid or cooperation, and I was merely telling him what happened and not suggesting that boys do such a thing unless it was the desire of the family and the relatives.

I would be glad to help you in any way possible, but you can understand that it would not be up to me to take a part in this unless the boy and the family were anxious to carry through this project.

Board can be had here for \$5.00 per week, and rooms will be \$8 and \$10 a month according to the location. The tuition is \$150.00 a year, and the chances for a job are good. But of course a boy cannot expect to go to school full time and earn over \$20.00 a month.

I am sending you a pamphlet on physical education and I am asking that the University mail you a catalog. This week I am leaving for Boone, Iowa, where I engage in a coaching school with Clark Shaughnessy, Bernie Bierman, and Henry Iba in teaching football and basketball to the Iowa High School Athletic Coaches Association. I expect to return to Lawrence some time around August 23rd. I will be happy to hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Ree Heights S. Dak.
July 24, 1941

Dear Sir;

I was referred to write to you about college at the University of Kansas by Wilfred Thompson who talked to you when he was in Kansas. I been so busy working I haven't found time to write any sooner. I would like to go to College there because of college baseball, but I won't be able to go unless I can get through real cheap. Wilfred Thompson was telling me of your plan to get us in without having to pay so much tuition. If I can get a part time job and won't have to pay very much tuition I may be able to go to College there.

I went my first two years of High school at Miller, which was a school of about 250. My last two years I went to Ree Heights, which was a smaller high school, but had spring baseball. I caught, pitched and played in Infield. We lost only three games in two years. I have earned letters in baseball, football and basketball. I have played one year

of American Legion baseball with Highmore. I
caught and due to lack of pitching I
pitched a few games. This year I have
been playing with the Heights in the Big
Six League, which sends a representative
to the State tournament every year. I like
catching better than any other position.

Wiffud and I would like very much
to get a room together.

Please write and send me information
concerning tuition, room & board, chances for
a job, and courses offered.

Yours Sincerely,
Vernon Sivertsen

August 12, 1941.

Mr. John Warren Jacks,
Coats, Kansas.

Dear John:

Your letter of August 11th has just been received, and I have immediately called Miss Velma Wilson, secretary of the NYA Office here. I asked her if she had the transcript of your grades and she advised me that it had not arrived as yet but she had written to the principal of your high school and she should be hearing before Friday of this week.

The jobs are allocated this next Friday and if your principal has not sent them in be sure that you have him do so with a special delivery stamp on the envelope so that she will receive it on or before Friday. I would suggest that you address it to Miss Wilson at the NYA office here at the University.

I certainly put in a strong appeal for you and if your grades are as good as you say they are I see no reason why you should not receive very careful consideration.

I am very happy to have had you stop in, and if there is any way that I can extend favors to you now and in the future it will be a pleasure to do so.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Coto Kansas
August 11, 1941

Dr F. C. Allen
Department of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence Kansas

Dear Sir,

As you advised me the other day, I sent my N.Y.A. application in to that Department. I also went over to the N.Y.A. office and told them my grade average and if it was possible I would like to be placed in the University Gym.

If I can receive this N.Y.A. job, I am practically positive I will attend school at Lawrence this fall.

If you have time and find it convenient I would appreciate you putting in a good word for me at the N.Y.A. office.

Thanking you very much for your trouble, I remain,

Your Truly
John Warren Jacks;

Croato, Kansas
August 1, 1941

Dr. F. C. Allers
Director of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence Kansas

Dear Sir:

I am coming to Lawrence next Thurs.
(August 4) and if you could find me
anything to do a day or two before school
starts I would appreciate it.

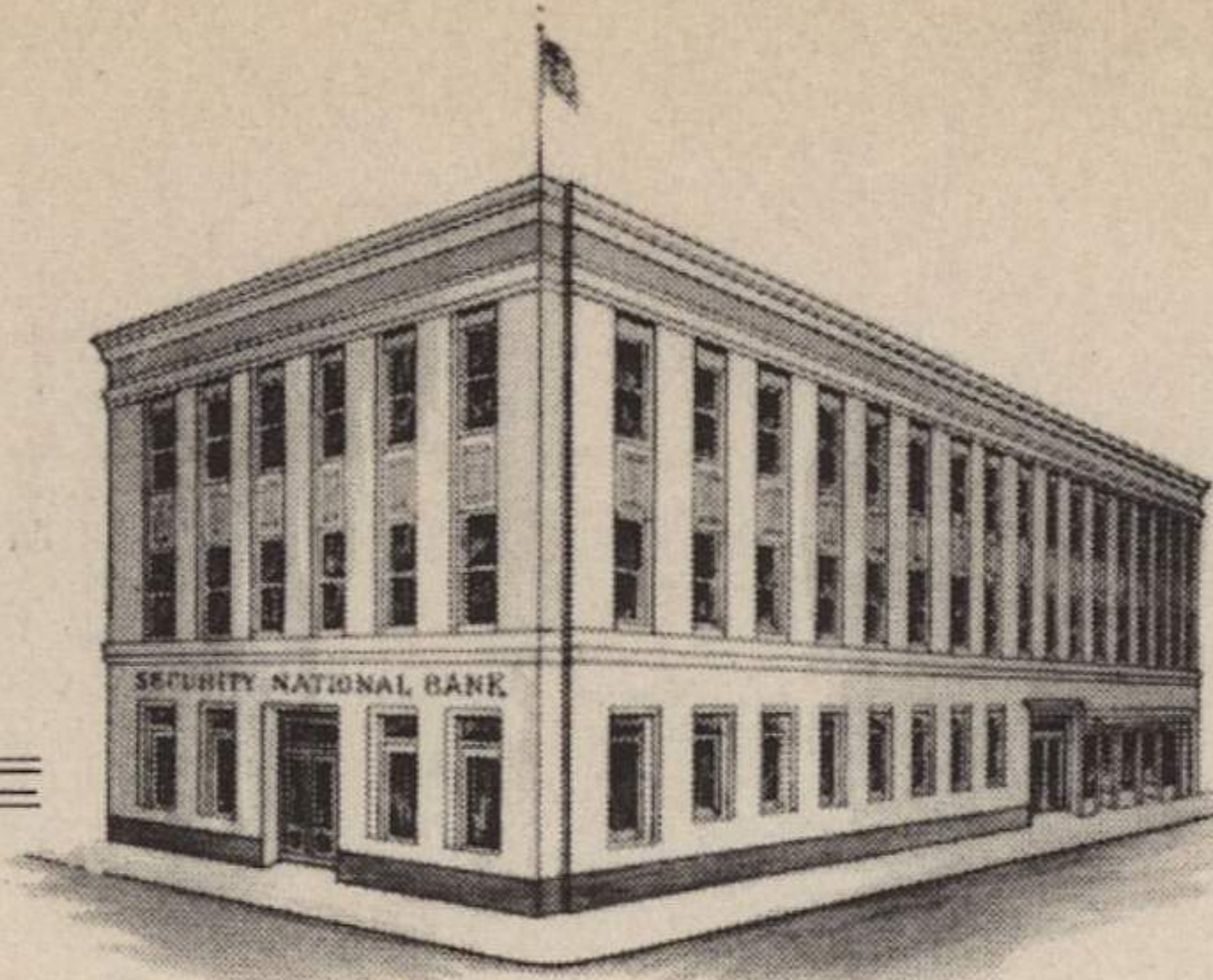
I am coming with Mark Mc Lain,
the big boy from Sun City Kans., who
is going to school at U. of K. also. He
is going to work on the campus
starting Friday.

I received my N. Y. A. job but don't
know where I'll stay or what I
do. I surely thank you a lot for
helping me obtain my job.

I remain,

yours truly
John W. Jacks

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July 24, 1941

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

Dear Phog:

Tommy Van Cleave just advised me that a job has been found for Ed Sayers. It is all arranged that he will enter the University of Kansas this Fall if work can be found to help defray his expenses.

I think it would be advisable for some arrangement to be made whereby you could have a talk with him before school opens.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read 'Maurice L. Breidenthal'. The signature is written over the typed name and title.

Maurice L. Breidenthal
P r e s i d e n t

MLB:LM

July 26th, 1941

Mr. Maurice L. Breidenthal
President
Security National Bank
Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Maurice:

Thank you very much for your good letter of the 24th instant giving me the information that Ed Sayers will attend the University of Kansas.

It seems as if I cannot arrange my teaching work and my recreation work in the evenings so that I can run down to Kansas City much before August 5th, but I will certainly count on doing that just as soon as school is out, and contact Ed Sayers.

I will contact Tommy Van Cleave before that so that arrangements will be made so that I can see him at a convenient time to Ed Sayers. At that time I hope to say "hello" to you and buy you all you can eat up to thirty five cents, and I might buy Van Cleave, Sr., a luncheon. But, the mental food that I would assimilate from you two dignitaries would far off set the calories that I might inject.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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

FCA:rc

July 3rd, 1941

Mr. Glenn "Ducky" Teel
Caldwell, Kansas

Dear "Ducky":

I have just finished talking to Arnold's Market and find that they are not quite certain as to what boy they will hire. They have a young boy there named Harwood who is attending the University and if he comes back to school at the University, doubtless they will take him on. I called Hunter Bros., but Mr. Hunter will not be back until late this afternoon. Then I called Mr. Landreth and he stated that he had also received a letter from you but he had not answered it as yet but he was going to tell you when he wrote, for you to come in and see him when you get to town.

He hires several boys each year and I feel pretty certain that you will get a job at this place if you please him. He is a fine gentleman and has three wonderful children, two of whom have finished with exceptionally fine honors in the University and the third one was an outstanding student in High School. So, I believe you have good prospects there.

As I suggested, I would come up a little early so that you can be one of the first on the ground. The old adage, "The early bird catches the worm", is still true.

With best wishes to you and all of our good Caldwell friends, I am,

Sincerely,

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

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