

October 27, 1938.

Mr. M. F. Ahearn, Director,
Department of Physical Education and Athletics,
Kansas State College,
Manhattan, Kansas.

Dear Mike:

My friend! Any time you write me I know it is from one Irishman to another. And the thing I like about you, Mike, you put your cards on the table and you do not beat around the bush. You may beat the dickens out of the bush, but I like the way you do it.

Yes, sir, I will be very happy to see young Mr. Peterka. The first thing I would like for you to ascertain from him is if he has had his teeth looked over by a competent dentist with a view of looking for any granuloma or carious spots in them. Now, Mike, if I get too technical, you just tell me that I started as a shanty Irishman and I can't get above that, and tell me not to be high-hat with you.

But I want to be sure that his teeth are all right. You see, the blood vascular drainage from the jaw filters down through lymphatic glands in the area in which reside the brachial plexus or the nerve supply of the arm. That is why bad teeth or tonsils bother pitchers or fellows who depend so much on their throwing arm.

Now the tonsils would be the next thing. Please have these two things looked into before you send him up. I always want to eliminate these two possible factors before we start on the skeletal framework. Also, I would like to know if he has had any unusually severe accident, having been thrown on his head or shoulders either off a horse or out of an automobile. In other words, I want a history of his case before the boy comes up because I can do much more for him in a short time by having a knowledge of his personal history.

Without going into any criticism of anybody, I have never thought of any nerve being pinched. So far as the boy suffering from rheumatism is concerned, undoubtedly he is, because rheumatism is nothing but lack of vitality in tissue due to an improper nerve or blood supply being distributed to the point in question. Bone and ligaments always have the poorest blood supply and because the blood does not carry away the waste accumulated from an area we call it rheumatism.

I have seen arms such as you describe, and we have been able to help them some. This boy Dugan, of Lawrence, who beat you at Manhattan, had an arm exactly like this boy Peterka. We worked on him here and got his arm in better shape, but did not give it the attention that we would have if we had had the time. However, he is so much better than he was that he was able to slow-ball a few teams into submission. When he bore down heavily, the next day his arm would be quite sore, but by pitching craftily and protecting his arm he was able to get along nicely.

Will you write me and give me this personal data as soon as you find it convenient? Then I will write you and tell you when you may send the boy on.

I was glad that you and President Farrell were up to see the game, and I am only sorry that I did not know it and have opportunity to visit with you. I agree with you that the Sooners have a powerful aggregation, and Kansas did put up a plucky fight. It just looked like too much power for the boys who played a great game but lacked a little something at times.

I may not get down to see your game Saturday with our boys because I am leaving tonight for Omaha where I speak twice before the Nebraska State Teachers Association at their convention there, and I will not get back until Saturday morning. It may be that some of my administrative duties will hold me, but I am planning on coming if I possibly can.

I might add that my morale at this time is not tinctured by too much optimism. We have had a great number of injuries and I am afraid that the boys will not be up to it, but you know, Mike, when Kansas State and Kansas play we can look for anything. That is the trouble with me, I am looking for too much.

With all good wishes, and assuring you it will be a pleasure not only to extend any small favor to you, but also to play a game of golf with you (I enjoy the fun that you and Dr. King get out of a game of golf), I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

KANSAS STATE COLLEGE
OF AGRICULTURE AND APPLIED SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF
PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS
MANHATTAN, KANSAS

October 20, 1938

Dr. F. C. Allen
Coach of Basketball
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear "Phog":

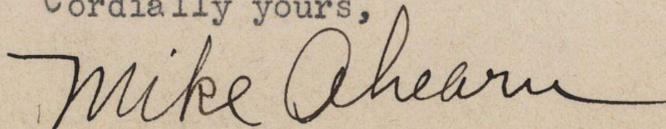
Usually a man receives a letter from his friends when they are in need of assistance. I hate to admit it but that is my reason for writing you today. We have in college here a young man by the name of Peterka who has been suffering for about a year with pains in his shoulder, elbow, and wrist. He describes this as a steady, even sort of pain that seems to be with him all of the time, but not always in all three places. Usually the pain will be localized in the elbow, shoulder, or wrist. He has ambitions in regard to becoming a pitcher on the varsity nine, and unless something may be done to counteract the pain in his arm he will have a tough time trying to pitch games against the University of Kansas and Missouri.

He has already tried out different physicians including an osteopath and a chiropractor. The chiropractor has worked on his vertebra and diagnosed the trouble as being caused by a pinched nerve. The M. D. is of the opinion that he is suffering from rheumatism. The arm bothers him both in winter and summer so you can understand that it is not a seasonable disease. If Pete should pitch a ball game today he would have difficulty in even raising his arm tomorrow. I am wondering if from these meager details you would be able to inform me as to whether or not a treatment from you would be of any benefit to him. I have great faith in your ability to cure these athletes, and I hope you will write me if you feel that you can give this boy some encouragement with regard to getting his arm in shape for baseball season next spring.

I watched the Kansas-Oklahoma football game as a guest of the Department of Athletics, and had as my companion Dr. F. D. Farrell. He seemed to enjoy it very much and I was happy to have him attend a Big Six game where our team was not one of the contestants. The "Sooners" have a powerful aggregation, and I thought Kansas University put up a plucky fight in the face of what looked to be insurmountable obstacles.

I am looking forward to the time when we will be able to have another golf game, and I trust that all is going well with you and yours.

Cordially yours,



M. F. Ahearn
Director

September 30, 1938.

Justice Harry K. Allen,
State House,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Cousin Harry:

Miss Betty Jeanne Heller, of Chanute, Kansas, is a student at Washburn College this fall. She is living at the Theta house. Miss Heller is a very good friend of Ralph Miller, but she chose to go to Washburn so that it couldn't be said that she interfered with Ralph's athletics.

I am wondering if Florence would some time call up Betty Jeanne at the Theta house and contact her. She is in need of a part time job, and I thought doubtless Florence might be in position to find something for her. She is a very talented little girl, and bright as a tack. She does both typing and dictation as well as some bookkeeping. We are very much interested in Betty Jeanne and shall greatly appreciate anything you and Florence can do.

I promised myself that I was going to get up and have a visit with you, but here I come again just chiseling a little bit. You know that you can count on my help any time any of your friends need contacts in our fair city.

Mrs. Allen and the kiddies are all well, and trust the same is true for the Allen household in Topeka. I was up at the State Architect's office with Professor F. A. Russell the first part of September. We went also to your office, but it was locked. We didn't have time enough to try to reach you at your house to see if you were home. But look out - I am apt to come again soon.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

October 20, 1930.

Mr. Jude Anderson,
Chief of Police,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Anderson:

I am sending this as a confirmation of my telephone conversation with you last Saturday morning.

Mrs. L. H. Flint, who lives at 1603 Louisiana Street, called me and asked my assistance in doing something to relieve the traffic congestion at 16th and Louisiana. This is particularly bad on days when football games are held. People driving to the University from Ottawa and from Kansas City on No. 10 highway come up the south approaches to the hill. Then when they reach 16th street, where there are a number of private drives, they become confused.

I told Mrs. Flint that I would do what I could as a citizen of Lawrence and a member of the University faculty. Hence, my call to you.

Your response was very gratifying, and I want to thank you for your friendly cooperation. You will be doing a fine service for both the city and the University by placing an officer here to direct our visitors.

Thank you again for your cooperation.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

JCA:AH

October 6, 1938.

Mr. A. S. Andrews,
Director of Service,
The Shaw-Walker Co.,
Muskegon, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Andrews:

I have received your letter of September 29 in regard to the shelf supports for the #2100-S cupboard shelf which we had ordered. The shelf supports have been received, and are quite satisfactory.

Thank you very much for giving this item your very prompt attention.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

cc to Crane and Company,
Topeka, Kansas.



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Oct. 1, 1938

University of Kansas,
Department of Physical Education,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Attention: Mr. Forrest C. Allen, Director.

Dear Mr. Allen:

Supplementing our letter of September 27th, we are advised by the Shaw-Walker Company that the steel clips which were short on your recent order for the shelf were mailed to you on September 29th.

We trust these come through to you without any further delay and hope to hear from you whenever we can be of further service.

Yours very truly,

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Sept. 29, 1938

University of Kansas
Dept. of Physical Education
Lawrence, Kansas

Gentlemen:

Crane & Company, our dealer in Topeka, Kansas advise that we failed to send shelf supports with the #2100-S cupboard shelf we shipped you a few days ago on their order. We regret exceedingly the inconvenience this oversight has caused you. However, we are sending you herewith the necessary supports which we hope will complete the order to your satisfaction.

Very truly yours,
The Shaw-Walker Company

A. S. Andrews/dps
Enc.

Director of Service

October 13, 1938.

Mr. Warren Anderson,
1100 Indiana Street,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Warren:

In last night's Journal-World the article on John R. Tunis had some slight misquotations in it.

When he paid a great tribute to the women, the reporter at the Journal-World gave credit to Tunis saying that the men were not up to par. That is an error. Tunis said the men that he met in your group were wonderful, very bright and alert, and withal some very keen minds. He did say, however, that he thought the men were much more on guard than the women. He said that the women conversed more freely and naturally, while the men seemed to be conscious of the fact that they were being interviewed.

"The women's conversation was chatty", he said. And he got a great thrill out of it. He also got a great thrill from the men, but I think it was from the very nature of the circumstances surrounding the interview with the boys at the house.

You will remember that I came in a few minutes after 12 and hastily summoned John Kline to get a few of the boys together. Then I remembered that I was to get Bob at 12:20, so much to my regret I had to leave your group and go after Bob. When I brought Bob back it was time to take Mr. Tunis to the train, so I did not have an opportunity to present Mr. Tunis to your group in the way that I did to the Pi Phi girls.

Mr. Tunis thought the University of Kansas was a fine place and he was highly impressed with your group. I want you to know this so if some of your group read the article in the Journal-World they would not picture Mr. Tunis in an unfair way.

It was nice of you to give him the time and I assure you
I appreciate the courtesy that your boys showed him.

With all good wishes, I am

Fraternally yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

October 26, 1938.

Mr. Kenneth S. Adams, President,
Phillips Petroleum Company,
Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Dear Boots:

It was a pleasure to receive your kind letter
of the 20th instant.

We enjoyed having you and your family in our
home, and I hope we may get together again before long.

Very Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY

BARTLESVILLE, OKLAHOMA

K. S. ADAMS
PRESIDENT

October 20, 1938

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

Dear Phog:

We arrived home late Sunday evening, and I found it necessary to leave early Monday morning for the Gulf Coast, and just returned last night.

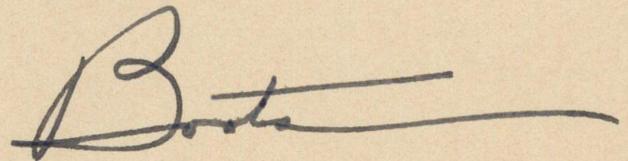
I do want to tell you how much my family, my friends and I enjoyed the fine hospitality shown by you, Mrs. Allen and your charming family. The luncheon was indeed appetizing, and one of the high spots of our trip to Lawrence.

I have written to Bing Smith, expressing my appreciation for the courtesy extended to me, and I feel sure it was through your thoughtfulness that this was done. I listened with much interest to your broadcast, and want to congratulate you on the manner in which you handled the situation. It was very impressive.

I hope sometime this winter when you are passing through Bartlesville you will give us the privilege of reciprocating your marvelous hospitality.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



KSA:TEK

October 20, 1938

Mr. Vernon Smith, President,
Radio Station WREN,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Bing:

I tried to locate you between halves at the football game Saturday, but you no doubt had moved from the seats where those in the press box thought you were sitting, and I could not find you.

Just a word to tell you how much I appreciated the privilege you so kindly extended to me to say a few words over your radio system between halves. Phog Allen was indeed most courteous and quite generous in introducing me, and I just wanted to express my appreciation.

I really enjoyed the game, regardless of the "shellacking" Oklahoma gave the old school. I would not be surprised to see Oklahoma take over Nebraska this week end.

If you and your wife should be down this way any time, do not fail to get in touch with me.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes for your continued success, I am

Sincerely,

KSA:TEK

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
K. S. ADAMS

bcc-Dr. Forrest C. Allen ✓

November 10, 1933.

The Alkalol Company,
Taunton, Mass.

Dear Sirs:

Through Dr. John K. Woodhull, of Lawrence, Kansas, Dr. Forrest C. Allen, Director of Physical Education and Varsity Basketball Coach at the University of Kansas, has learned of your Alkalol. Dr. Allen would greatly appreciate being put on your mailing list, and would be glad to receive a professional sample bottle of Alkalol. He intends to make use of Alkalol during the coming basketball season in prescribing its use by the members of the basketball squad.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Forrest C. Allen.

November 18, 1938.

Mr. Merle T. Barker, Treasurer,
The Alkalol Company,
Taunton, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Barker:

Thank you very much for your kindness in sending me the professional samples of Alkalol. Your generous supply arrived this morning, and I assure you I will do all I can to encourage the use of this very excellent product. I personally like it very much.

Again thanking you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.



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Miss Alberta Hulteen
Sec. to Dr. Forrest C. Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

My dear Miss Hulteen:

We were very glad to get your letter of November 10th and we are anxious to have Dr. Allen give Alkalol a real trial in his physical education work. We are accordingly sending to him, with our compliments, a dozen of our eye dropper Alkalol samples and a half dozen of our 5-oz. professional samples.

It would probably interest Dr. Allen to know that many of the national leagues baseball team trainers are finding Alkalol very useful in preventing colds and in treating eyes and recently several football coaches have ordered large quantities.

The enclosed copy of a letter from Jake Weber, famous coach of Fordham University is typical of the enthusiasm which has resulted from a comprehensive trial of Alkalol.

Thanking you for writing us, we are

Very truly yours,

MTB/H

The Alkalol Co.

Merle T. Barker

November 14, 1938

Merle T. Barker
Treasurer.

C O P Y -

Dec.28,1937

Dear Sirs:

I have been using your product for a good many years. In all the many occasions that I have used it, it has always proved helpful. As a trainer, I, like many others, have had to keep our athletes free from colds and sore throats and Alkalol has always proved a good remedy. So I am sending you this statement in appreciation of the splendid product that you are making.

"To whom it may concern, Coaches or Trainers: Alkalol is the best remedy for clearing out heads and throats that I have ever used in all my years as a trainer and coach."

Very truly yours,

(signed)

Jake Weber

KANSAS STATE COLLEGE
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MANHATTAN, KANSAS

November 28, 1938

Dr. Forest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

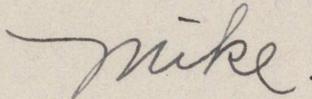
Dear "Phog":

Thank you very much for your kind invitation for Mr. Peterka to make a visit to Lawrence where you will try to remedy his ailing wing. He has been bothering me for several days inquiring if there had been any communication received from your office. He is a serious minded fellow and is really very anxious to find out if there is any chance of his ever getting to use his soup bone in a baseball game. I am certain that he would be willing to walk on his hands if you thought it would help his sacroiliac. I will get in touch with him as soon as possible, and I feel certain that he will give you a ring in regard to the best date for you to handle his case.

You know, "Phog", that I am interested in having a good baseball pitcher on the staff, but after all, you and I have lived long enough to know that the boy's welfare comes first. If you are able to help him he is always going to remember you with deep gratitude in his heart for the rest of his life.

With best wishes and kind personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,



M. F. Ahearn
Director

MFA:LR

November 26, 1938.

Mr. M. F. Ahearn,
Director of Athletics,
Kansas State College,
Manhattan, Kansas.

Dear Mike:

I will be glad to look at young Mr. Peterka most any Tuesday or Thursday morning. If I can be informed a couple of days ahead of Peterka's coming I will make arrangements to see him. It will be a pleasure for me to advise treatment after I have examined his arm.

The baseball arm is a lot more difficult than the sacro iliac to treat because a fellow walks on his leg and the strain in the sacro iliac shows up much more readily. If we could start some of these fellows walking on their hands, then it would be easier to diagnose the trouble, but it is really much more difficult to treat a pitching arm than it is a bad knee or a bad leg.

But you let Mr. Peterka come on. Have him let me know ahead of time when he is coming. And after all your build up, I assure you I cannot afford to let him down. I will then advise his friendly councillor, this guy Ahearn, who is trying to beat both Kansas and Missouri, whether he will be able to eat any meals after I have treated him.

Lots of good luck to you, Mike.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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KANSAS STATE COLLEGE
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MANHATTAN, KANSAS

November 15, 1938

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

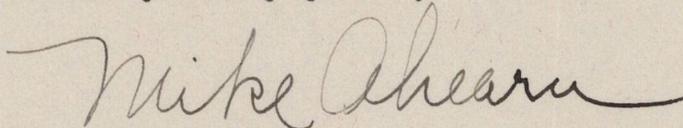
Dear "Phog":

I have been a long time getting the information you asked for in your letter of October 27, but I finally obtained the facts in the case.

Mr. Peterka has had his teeth examined and had his tonsils and adenoids removed sometime ago. Both the boy and his father are very anxious to have something done about the arm, and I have played up your skill and science to the "nth" degree. They can hardly wait until you have time to see the boy and do what you can for him. As far as I can find out the boy has been a normal lad without any serious sickness or accident, and I believe it is possible that something may be done to help his throwing arm.

Let me know when you can meet the lad and I will get word to him.

Very truly yours,



M. F. Ahearn
Director

MFA:LR

December 7, 1938

Professor H. C. Allen,
Department of Chemistry.

Dear Professor Allen:

The enclosed piece of mail was delivered to my office this morning, and was opened by my secretary along with the other mail. We are extremely sorry this mistake occurred, and are immediately sending the letter on to you.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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6858 GLENWOOD AVENUE

CHICAGO, ILL.

December 1, 1938

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Laurence, Kans.

Dear Doctor Allen:

Thank you for your comments on the Sportsmanship problem now being given special attention by the National Basketball Coaches Association.

We are anxious to lend our support to the Association in their worthwhile project and it is our belief that coaches may best profit by the suggestions of other coaches.

Yours very cordially,



John L. Griffith

JLG:k

December 31, 1938.

Mr. Ross Anderson,
Department of Athletics,
Kewanee High School,
Kewanee, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Anderson:

In response to your inquiry of December 19th I am sending you some mimeographed sheets giving diagrams of the backboard. I trust this is what you had in mind, and that it will be of some help to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

KEWANEE HIGH SCHOOL
DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS
KEWANEE, ILLINOIS

December 19, 1938

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

Dear Sir:

The other day I happened to see a couple reels of pictures on basketball fundamentals which had been made by you and your squad. We are interested in marking our bankboards for practice shooting purposes, and would appreciate it you could send us the directions and dimensions for making the boards as you use them.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I remain,

Sincerely,

Ross Anderson

Nov 29, 1938
H.C.K.

Dear Doc: —

I stopped in Lawrence Saturday to see you about a friend of mine who received a neck injury in an automobile accident. We were very disappointed to find you were out of town. Would it be possible for my friend and me to see you for a few minutes while you are in K.C. Saturday.

I also wanted to tell

you how much I enjoyed
the Physical Education courses
at Lawrence this summer and
hope they offer additional courses
next summer.

K.C.K. Jr. College has just
purchased your fine new book
and all my basketball boys
are enjoying it immensely.

Best wishes for another
successful Basketball season

Sincerely
Ed G. Ash
2272 Roswell
K.C.K.

P.S. Send my regards
to Doctors Albel & Lapp.

January 18, 1939.

Mr. A. O. Anderson,
Director of Physical Education,
Board of Education,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Mr. Anderson:

I have your circular letter of January 13th calling attention to the very interesting plan of presenting a very worth while discussion, "Are We Ready to Teach?" at the convention in Sioux City. I think this is an excellent idea and I am sure the presentation will be very helpful.

I am just wondering if the authors of the papers selected are to present their manuscripts in person at the convention, or will someone else present them. Will there be any prize offered to stimulate these contributions by the senior students, men and women? I was thinking that if some part of their expenses toward the trip could be given these students it would be an added incentive. However, please do not think I am suggesting something that would be out of order.

We are placing a copy of this announcement on our bulletin board and calling attention to it through our Sasnak Newsletter. We are also sending out notice to our first year teachers: Miss Ruth Baker, Salina, Kansas; Mr. Forrest Hardacre, Ness City, Kansas; Miss Catherine Dunkel and Miss Lucille Botton, Coffeyville, Kansas, Mr. Maurice Cannady, Lawrence, Kansas; Miss Maxyne Woody, Hollenberg, Kansas; and Miss Esther Gilkeson, Medicine Lodge, Kansas. I am sure that all of these young teachers will be interested in the announcement.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Jacobs Wall

January 5, 1939.

American Tennis and Lawn Association,
500 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sirs:

I should like to know the requirements for membership in the National Badminton Association, all rules pertaining to amateur badminton and tournament play, and the various classification of players.

I should also like to know what would be necessary for me to hold a Missouri Valley Badminton tournament here in this part of the country. How may we go about forming badminton clubs in the various cities around here?

I shall be very grateful if you can send me this information.

Sincerely yours,

Jim H. Raport,
Instructor in Physical Education.