

File No.

NAVY SUPPLY CORPS SCHOOL  
HARVARD UNIVERSITY  
SOLDIERS FIELD, BOSTON, MASS.

25 September 1944.

Dear Doc:

Please overlook my negligence in acknowledging receipt of Jalfhawk Rebounds No. 10; I wish to say "Thanks" for it and No. 11 which arrived today. Again may I say that I feel flattered to be included on the mailing list and <sup>to have</sup> segments of my humble notes printed; I feel somewhat of an intruder, yet being interested in sports and having had many of your boys in my classes, I do receive a great deal of pleasure in reading about them.

I had read of the death of T. P. Hunter and your tribute in No. 11 is most fitting indeed. I know how fond and proud of him you were from earlier comments. This is a terrible affair and much beyond the understanding of the most of us. Many idle words of tribute and justification of deeds are voiced today, but few are sincere and enduring. It is for us who face real facts and state the truth to carry on and not betray the deeds and sacrifices (supreme or minor) of those gone on before us.

Things are per usual with me. I am still on the staff of the Supply Corps School. I work directly with the Harvard Business School staff in connection with the Navy War Adjustment course (contract termination and surplus disposal work). Our nation faces a tremendous problem in the post-war era and I trust that we as a people will not give up the "old ways" and will be able to cope with the situation. The economic destiny of our nation for many years to come rests in our hands at the present time and the next two or three years will tell the story. From my rather wide study and experience, I am sorry to say that I am not too optimistic



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yet I believe the Nation will become concerned and take action before it is too late. I am indeed fortunate to have been afforded the many opportunities by the Navy to observe and study economic conditions, but I am not unmindful of the greater sacrifices and contributions of my friends and this drives me to request (over and over) sea or foreign duty -- there is faint hope of such around the first of the year. I sincerely hope that I will be given this privilege as my return would be so much easier to face my friends.

Five weeks ago I broke my hand playing softball; it has been most painful and very slow in healing. I trust that it will not result in a permanent injury as I look forward to playing golf once more. Even though I contributed so little to the boys on the golf team and derived so much personal satisfaction from the association, I look forward to the day (when and if things work out) when I may serve in a like capacity; it is thoughts of these things that give us hope for the morrow and strength for the present day.

We are having some lovely fall weather after a rather hot and disagreeable summer. It doesn't seem possible that another winter is so close at hand. Let us hope that another fall ('45) will see peace throughout the world and many of us back with you folks in the fall of '46.

Again may I say "Thanks" for every thing. I'll keep you posted on my activities.

Sincerely

William G. Shannon



Somewhere along the Ledo Road

Oct 31, 1944

Dear Mr Allen.

I have been reading your articles about the corruption of basketball in our paper we get in India. I am very much interested in them as I am a lover of basketball. I live in Lawrence at 17 East 9<sup>th</sup> St. I used to come to the basketball games when Charles Black played. You are a great coach. I played four year of varsity ball with a high school team in Missouri. So you see I am quite interested in your accusations. I know you have a reason for your accusations and I hope you come out on top. I hope to go to N. U. when I get back if possible.

I have been reading of your football score also. you seem to be doing great. I hope it's a Kansas U. Big Six this year.

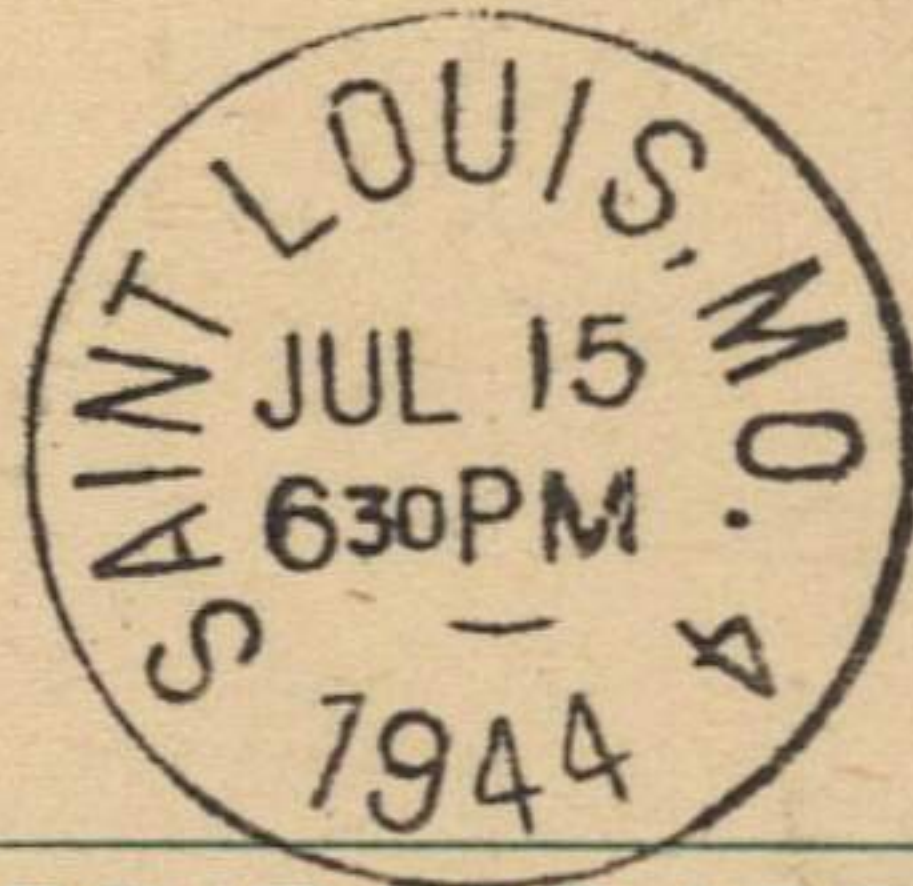


I am now in Burma. I was in India for awhile also. I have been overseas for almost fourteen months now and a bit of news sure is swell. I would like to have the school paper if possible. I want to wish your basketball team of the coming season a lot of luck, show them K. U. is still the best.

I hope to receive a letter from you. So I will expect out. I must say so long for now and good luck.

An admirer  
But George Stuart





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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr. Forrest C. Allen,  
Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach,  
University of Kansas,  
Lawrence, Kansas.



# The Sporting News

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Dear Subscriber: (for:) Pfc. Robert E. Allen, Apt. 306,  
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Sincerely,



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F.P.O., N.Y., N.Y.



20 October 1944  
Friday in England

Hello Doc.

Well doctor I have done considerable moving since I last wrote to you. I received the rebounds with open arms.

I spent 111 days on the coast of France and I will admit that I am glad to get back to England for a change.

I have a base job now and I am stationed at a rest camp. I am enjoying the quiet of this camp in the country. You can take the boy from the farm but you can't take the farm from the boy. I still enjoy the quiet and peace of the good old earth. I am the third officer, technically, on the base and about all we are doing is taking care of some sailors until they can be sent back to the states. We run the lads about a mile and a half each morning along with considerable athletics and calisthenics. I am finally using some of the things



that I learned at school. The boys all are getting a degree of tone to some of the ol muscle. Improves appetite and general function. They get to like it. 'Stormy' Goss, an ensign from S.M.U. is here as a small boat officer and we are thoroughly enjoying ourselves. ~~here~~.

Doc, the news about Teep Hunter upset me. I admired Teep for the man he was and frankly I was sorry to hear that news. This war, I realize more and more each day, is so utterly useless. This isn't the last one either.

This English weather has them all beat. I have never seen it rain so much and so unexpectedly. Worse than Kansas in the Fall and Spring.

Well doctor I had better shut down. Keep the rebounds coming doc, I enjoy them so much. Good luck to all.

Sincerely

R. Schaefer En. USNR



DEAR Phog:

Grand 2070

I dropped a line to Ellsworth a week or so ago, asking for a picture of how the basketball scene is shaping up at Kansas. To date, I've gotten my stuff in from all the other schools and no word from Fred.

Can you take a couple of minutes out and dictate the names of your lettermen, who will be back, the names of the best looking new comers, size of your squad, slip in a copy of your schedule as it now stands and add a paragraph of quotes on the outlook as you see it?

I'd appreciate it a lot and I need it as quickly as you can spare the time, Coach. Thanks muchly

Best regards,

Sam Smith

Pls stick in a copy of last year's final standings, too, Phog.



October 23, 1944.

Mr. John G. Stutz,  
Executive Director,  
League of Kansas Municipalities,  
512 Capitol Federal Building,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear John:

Thanks so much for your very prompt letter and for the complimentary copy of the 1943 Kansas Tax Rate Book. This is very nice of you and I am sure we can get the information we seek.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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October 18, 1944.

Mr. John G. Stutz, Secretary,  
Kansas League of Municipalities,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear John:

I attended a joint meeting of the Chamber of Commerce committee of which I was a member, and the Council in the City Hall the other evening, and I was asked by Professor Russell to get data from you on the park and playground area of other towns comparable to our size in Kansas.

There is a movement on foot to acquire more park property. I told the committee they had a lot of park space but no parks. They had not done anything to make the parks attractive, save Clinton Park.

I am wondering if you would give me as much data as possible on how much of a mill tax is spent on park property in the different towns comparable to ours. I believe you get the idea. I am trying to wake some of these sleepers up, and anything you can give to help me will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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October 20, 1944

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

My dear "Phog":

Answering your request of October 18, I am sending you herewith attached a copy of the 1943 Kansas Tax Rate Book. We will make it complimentary to you.

May I cite you to the Kansas Directory of Public Officials published by this organization which is on file in the University Library. I don't know just what section (but Miss Smeltzer will know). You will find listed under the name of every incorporated city in Kansas the number of playgrounds, the number of acres of parks, the number of lakes and other recreational facilities of such nature owned and operated by such city.

We also have on file in this office the budgets of the cities and the school boards. These will show how much they have spent for parks and recreation and how much they expect to spend this year and next year. The Tax Rate Book furnished you herewith gives evidence of the amount levied in general property taxes for park purposes. To this amount, however, must be added some residue of the state sales tax, moneys and some concession receipts. In some cities they have private endowment or trust funds which supplement park revenues. The budget, of course, is the most reliable record available on sources of revenue and expenditures for parks and playgrounds.

Call on us again when we can be of service to you.

Sincerely,

John G. Stutz  
Executive Director

JGS:HF  
Inc.  
cc F. A. Russell  
City Councilman  
Lawrence, Kansas



October 25, 1944.

Professor F. A. Russell,  
302 Marvin Hall.

Dear Professor Russell:

I am enclosing some data we have secured on the parks owned by cities in Kansas. You doubtless received a copy of the letter that John Stutz wrote me.

If this is not sufficient information to call another meeting, please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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City	1943 Population	Tax Levy for Parks	No. of Acres of Parks	No. of Playgrounds	Other Recreational Facilities
(Cities of 1st class)					
Parsons	13,838	.29	95	6	2 Mun., 1 Prvt. Swimming Pool; Mun. Band
Atchison	11,602	.751	156	6	Mun. Sw. Pool, 2 city lakes
(Cities of 2nd class)					
Lawrence	15,356	.2565	30	8	Mun. Sw. Pool
Manhattan	13,594	.84	169	2	Mun. Sw. Pool; Band
Independence,	12,228	.9386	114		Mun. Sw. Pool; Band
Emporia	12,183	.4574	143	3	Pvt. Sw. Pool; Mun. Band; 1 City lake
Arkansas City	12,099	.77	183	3	Mun. Sw. Pool; Mun. Band
Newton	11,104	.55	72	9	Mun. Sw. Pool; Mun. Band, 1 City lake
El Dorado	10,495	--	41	6	Mun. Sw. Pool; Mun. Band, City Lake



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November 2, 1944

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

Dear Sir:

Thank you for your letter of October 31st.  
Are we to invoice the University of Kansas, Physical  
Education Department with a two year subscription,  
or shall we await until formal order reaches us?

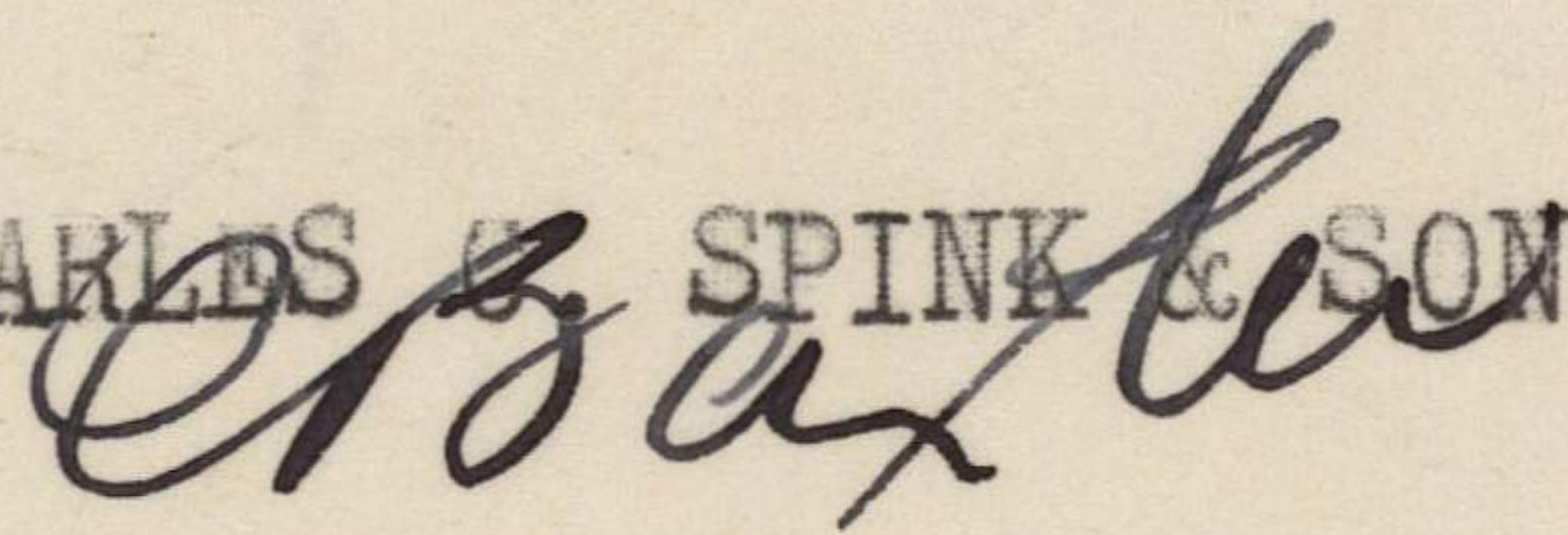
About your son who is now in the Army  
medical corps, I thought he was receiving the Sporting  
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is no way of checking without his address, so I can  
only surmise until I learn his present address.

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\$3.75 a year, but the special rate does not permit  
inclusion of any premium.

Sincerely yours,

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CHARLES C. SPINK & SON






November 16, 1944.

Mrs. A. G. Swaney,  
Miller Hall,  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Swaney:

I was so happy to have a conversation with you this morning and to know that you are Robert Clore's cousin. I should have remembered it from the connection when your son was in school, and when you stopped by our house, but frankly, I cannot recall that incident for the moment. I do want you to meet Mrs. Allen and the rest of our family again.

I am sending you a Jayhawk Rebounds, a monthly publication we write to our boys in the service. It gives some information on our son, Bobby, and other members of our family. We are sending some back copies which will give you some collateral reading.

I might suggest that you pass these on to Mrs. Clore at your convenience. And please give Mrs. Clore my warmest personal regards.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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October 23, 1944.

Major Ronald I. Sieben, F.A.,  
Director of Athletics,  
Special Service Office,  
Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas.

Dear Major Sieben:

And congratulations, my friend, on the promotion! We are very proud of you.

Regarding the basketball knee pads, they were made for us by Milton Kelley, of Austin, Texas, my old trainer that I developed some fifteen or eighteen years ago, but these were made up for us just before the war and the material is a critical material that they can not obtain at the present time. You might write to him. He was a trainer at the University of Texas, but I understand he is now retired. Certainly a letter addressed to him in care of the Athletic Department, University of Texas, with directions to forward, would locate him.

He had a factory there in which he made the Kelley knee pads. You remember the old Kelley pad, and this was an improvement over it. The first Kelley knee pad was made here under my direction and when Kelley went to Texas as trainer there he asked if I objected to his making up the pad in his name. I was glad for him to do so. This explanation has nothing to do with things in general, only I am just giving you some of the background on the knee pad.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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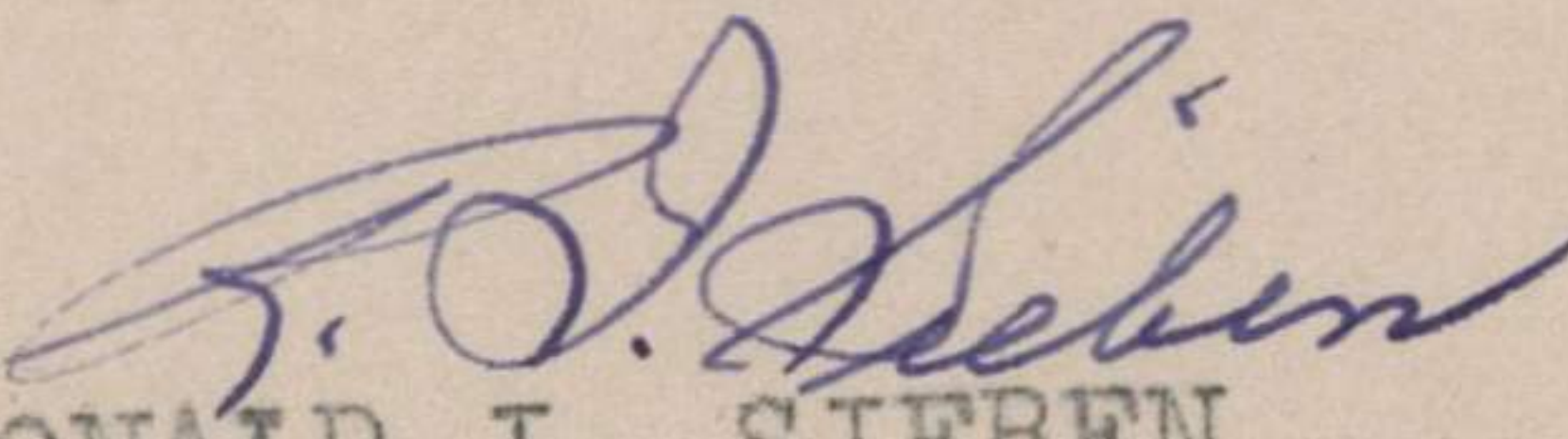
Dr. Forest C. Allen  
Director of Physical Education  
Varsity Basketball Coach  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I hesitate to bother you with small matters, but would appreciate it very much if you could give me some information as to where I might locate some basketball knee pads of the same type as you have your men wear. I looked at them rather carefully last year, and feel that they were one of the best types of pads I have seen. If you could give us this information, it would help us very much.

Thank you kindly.

Sincerely yours

  
RONALD I. SIEBEN  
Major, FA  
Director of Athletics

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October 31, 1944.

Mr. C. R. Baxter,  
The Sporting News,  
St. Louis 1, Mo.

Dear Mr. Baxter:

The University of Kansas Physical Education department will take advantage of your regular subscriber's order for The Sporting News for two years.

I have a son who is a lieutenant in the Army medical corps. I am wondering if you are making the same offer to the men in the service that you did before, and if so I would like to send you a check for him if you will notify me of the correct amount.

Very sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education,  
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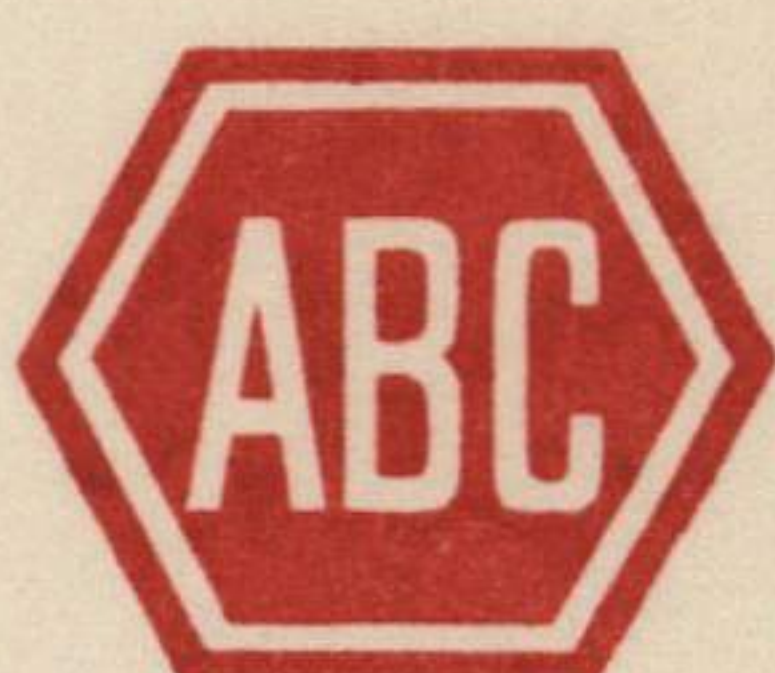
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Sincerely yours,

CHARLES C. SPINK & SON

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October 31, 1944.

Mr. Charles Seymour,  
702 No. Cascade,  
Colorado Springs, Colo.

Dear Charlie:

Thank you for sending me Jack Carberry's article. Jack has been sending them to me but I do appreciate your thinking of me.

Jack started off by stating that I was very jealous of Frosty Cox, and so forth. I wrote him a very nice letter and explained to him why I was not jealous of Frosty, and so forth, and he came back with a very nice letter. Since then we have been getting along nicely. Of course some of my sayings have made some copy for his paper, but we are getting along splendidly.

Lots of luck to you and yours, Charlie.


Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Dear Plug:

Just thought you would  
be interested in this write  
up - It is the 1<sup>st</sup> time  
this Carberry has been right  
with you to my knowledge.

Your Friend

Chas. Seymour  
702 No. Cascade  
Colo. Sprgs -

Still out selling Spalding  
but no make. Just saying  
hello to the trade.



# DENVER AGA



## The Second Guess

.... by Jack Carberry

I SEE by the paper where Ned Irish, promoter of basketball in Madison Square Garden, expresses his "personal wish" that the charges brought last week by Dr. Forrest C. (Phog) Allen, famed basketball authority, coach and director of physical education at the University of Kansas, "be dropped." Mr. Irish is amazingly frank. He, if quoted correctly, wants to forget the whole matter so that Allen be silenced—that he (Allen) be given no further opportunity to talk.

But what is Mr. Irish going to do about Sergt. Lou Greenberg of the United States army, former manager of the Syracuse (N. Y.) Reds of the professional basketball league—Sergeant Greenberg who says players **TOLD HIM** how they, as he puts it, "**CO-OPERATED**" with New York gamblers in having the point scores of their **COLLEGE GAMES** fit the gambling odds.

Perhaps Mr. Irish shouldn't do anything about it at all.

In truth, this is the business of the National Collegiate Athletic association, the ruling and governing body of all college athletics—the men who, after all, must give their sanction before college players can participate in big money tournaments, or go on barnstorming tours under private promotion.

From where we sit it looks like "Phog" Allen has the whole college athletic structure sitting on the hot seat.

When he made his original charge, thru THE DENVER POST last Friday, Irish, from his Madison Square Garden office, demanded that Allen supply him with a bill of particulars, including names of players. New York writers, who, Allen said in his original charge, had "kept the matter quiet, or fairly quiet," bristled with indignation. Never, they wrote, had they heard of any such thing. Allen supplied the particulars. Irish now states that both he and the newspapers long since "investigated" the matters and the names laid before him by Allen, and that he "feels moved to say there was nothing to it."

From this corner it looks like "Phog" Allen has won round one—and by a very, very wide margin.

Now comes the question, and round two: What about Sergeant Greenberg's charges?

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ALL THIS talk about what player took what money in the past is beside the point. It would do no good whatever now to say Joe Smith of Middle State, either "threw" or "co-operated" on the point margin in return for such-and-such a sum.

The need—the immediate need—is for the college people to make it impossible for future Joe Smiths to do likewise.

Now none can object to college clubs taking trips. Goodness knows the college athlete gets little else in a material way out of all the time and effort and sweat and sacrifice he puts into his game. What else he gets must be an inner satisfaction in playing a game he loves, and in representing his school in competition with other schools. Intersectional competition, whether it be in baseball, football, tennis, basketball or what have you, is good. It should be encouraged and expanded. But this competition in the college world should be between colleges, and staged under college promotion and sponsorship.

Surely no college man can defend the use of college players, and college teams, in private promotion. They cannot, unless they are willing to admit that what they seek is hard, cold cash and not the fostering of athletics for the sake of the participants.



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LET us go right to the record for this. The N. C. A. A. has what it calls "The Basketball Coaches' Creed." This "creed" is subscribed to by every man associated with the National Association of Basketball Coaches and the N. C. A. A. It reads—not a comma is left out—as follows:

"I BELIEVE that basketball has an important place in the general educational scheme and pledge myself to co-operate with others in the field of education to so administer it that its value never will be questioned.

"I BELIEVE that other coaches of this sport are as earnest in its protection as I am, and I will do all in my power to further their endeavors.

"I BELIEVE that my own actions should be so regulated at all times that I will be a credit to the profession.

"I BELIEVE that the members of the National Basketball committee are capably expressing the rules of the game, and I will abide by these rules in both spirit and letter.

"I BELIEVE in the exercise of all the patience, tolerance, and diplomacy at my command in my relations with all players, co-workers, game officials and spectators.

"I BELIEVE that the proper administration of this sport offers an effective laboratory method to develop in its adherents high ideals of sportsmanship; qualities of co-operation, courage, unselfishness and self-control; desire for clean, healthful living; and respect for wise discipline and authority.

"I BELIEVE that these admirable characteristics, properly instilled by me thru teaching and demonstration, will have a long carryover and will aid each one connected with the sport to become a better citizen.

"I BELIEVE in and will support all reasonable moves to improve athletic conditions, to provide for adequate equipment and to promote the welfare of an increased number of participants."

There is nothing there about exploiting the college athlete for gain. So it goes without further saying that the colleges are not sending their teams into the highways and byways for money. They are not if there is one speck of honesty within the collegiate setup.

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WHY, then, it must be asked, do the colleges permit teams within their association to take part in private promotions—to take the place which rightfully belongs to the professional performer?

That is the main question "Phog" Allen raised in his letter of last week—the main question which all have sought to ignore, and which Ned Irish and Madison Square Garden would by-pass by a "personal wish" that the entire matter be dropped so that Allen might be "silenced."

For my part, I do not believe the colleges of the land can "silence" Allen now. His charge that games played in Madison Square Garden "already have been thrown," plus Sergeant Greenberg's charge that players TOLD HIM—HIM, not somebody else—how they, IN THEIR COLLEGE GAMES, co-operated to make the points fit the gambling odds—has focused national attention upon the entire setup as it exists.

This brought out into the light of day conditions surrounding college players appearing in Madison Square Garden—detectives posted outside their hotel rooms to keep away the rodents, as Allen calls them, of the gambling world; telephones severed to remove the boys from the temptations of bribery; gamblers knocked down, or thrown out of college hotel suites when they came to make their bribe offers; Madison Square described as "filled with Broadway mobsters hickering and dickering" in its aisles during the contests, the police standing idly by.

Is this college athletics—sport designed, as the coaches' "creed" puts it, to instill "a desire for clean living" in the participants?

A lot of people would, no doubt, like to make the "personal wish" that Allen be silenced.

"Phog" Allen has thrown down the gauntlet.

Let the colleges of our land pick it up.