

December 31, 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Simons,
The Cedars,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear W. C. and Mrs. W. C.:

I want to tell you how pleased I was at your very generous gift of the fine house jacket. Really, I have been wanting one for a long time, but I did not know they came in shorts. I never liked a long house jacket because it always got in my way, but this is one of the finest conceptions that I have received and I heartily appreciate your thoughtfulness and generosity.

Wishing you both a very happy New Year,
I am

Appreciatively and Rotarily yours,

FCA:AH

President.

January 5, 1944.

Mr. J. Milton Sullivant,
Paola, Kansas.

Dear Milt:

I apologize for sending your letter without signing it. I am sorry that you have been caused this slight delay.

With best wishes for your success, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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BOTH PHONES NO. 65

Paula, Kansas

BERNARD L. SHERIDAN
L. PERRY BISHOP
J. MILTON SULLIVANT

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January 3, 1944

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

I have received your letter of recommendation which I recently requested. This letter has arrived in plenty of time for the use I had contemplated.

I know that you are very busy with the basketball team, and I am also aware that my request was made at one of the very busiest times of the year. As a matter of fact, for that very reason and also because I had never competed directly under you or had the benefit of your coaching ability, I hesitated to call upon you for this letter, but could think of no other party who could write a letter which would be as great a benefit to me as would a letter from you.

I note however, that you have neglected to sign the letter, no doubt due to the fact that you were in a hurry and that you did sign the letter which accompanied the enclosure, so I am enclosing the letter for your signature.

I am sure this letter will be of great value to me when I go before the draft for induction, and I am greatly indebted to you for the same.

Thanking you for your great favor in this matter and with kindest regards, I am

Yours truly,

J. Milton Sullivan

JMS/RMF
Enc.

P. S. As usual I see the basketball team of the Alma Mater is compiling a good record.

January 5, 1943.

Mr. W. A. Sneller,
731 No. 8th St.,
Arkansas City, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Sneller:

Thank you for your note and check for \$4.00.
I am very happy to autograph a copy of "Better Basketball",
and am sending it to you today, parcel post, prepaid. I
trust that you will get much enjoyment and benefit from the
book.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

December 22, 1943.

Mr. W. A. Sneller,
731 No. 8th Street,
Arkansas City, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Sneller:

In reply to your inquiry, I have a text on basketball plays and fundamentals, entitled "Better Basketball". It is published by McGraw-Hill and Company, and sells for \$4.00. Most book stores and athletic goods firms handle the book, but if you would care to have an autographed copy I would be glad to mail you one postpaid on receipt of your check or money order for \$4.00.

I am enclosing some descriptive material so that you may know something of the contents of the book.

Thanking you for your inquiry, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH
Enc.

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Dec. 19, 1943.

Mr. Forrest C. Allen:
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:

Am wondering if you have
a text on basketball plays and
fundamentals by yourself or
can tell me where to buy
such a guide.

Very truly yours.

W. A. Sneller,

731 No. 8th St.

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
LAWRENCE

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

December 22, 1943.

Mr. W. A. Sneller,
731 No. 8th Street,
Arkansas City, Kansas.

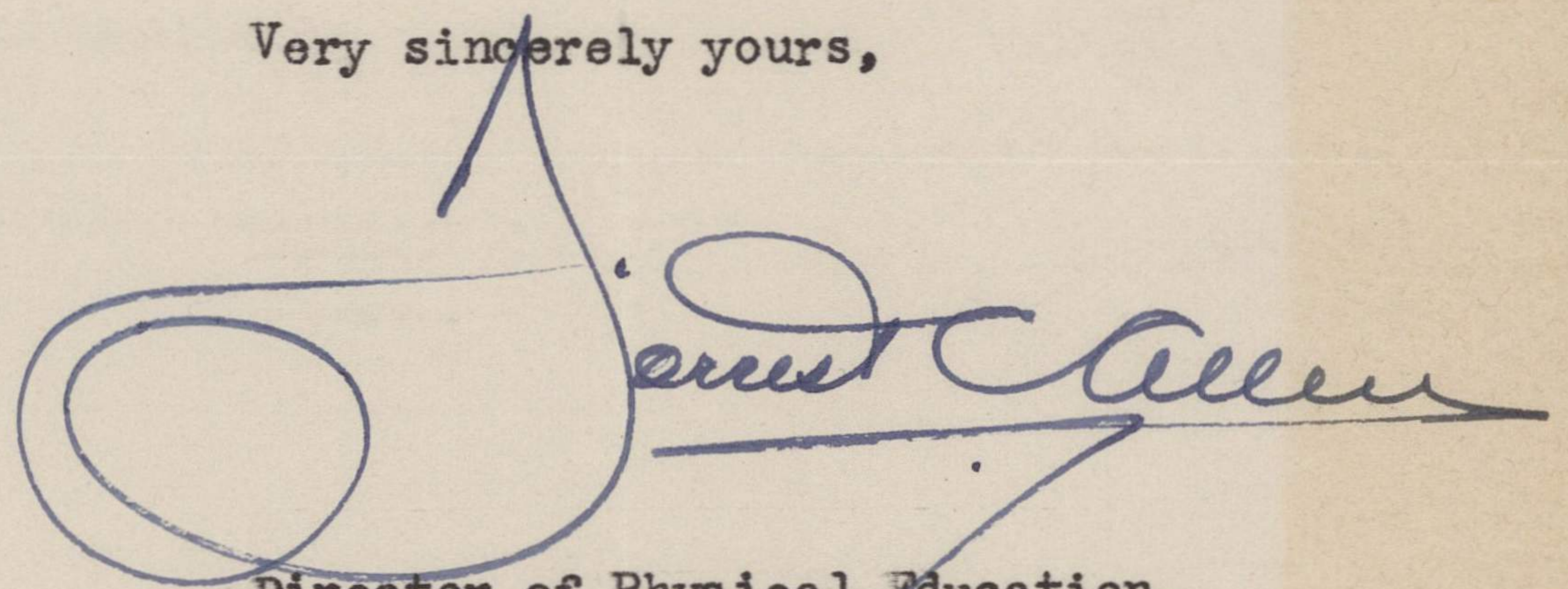
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Very sincerely yours,



Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Dr. Mr. Alder.
Dear Sir: Enclosed find check
for \$4.00 please forward your book as
described above.
Very truly yours,
W.A. Sneller.

December 31, 1943.

Mr. Stanley Schwain,
Jayhawker Theatre,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Stanley:

Gee, you surprise a fellow with your generosity. I certainly was delighted to receive a letter from you enclosing the "Annie Oakleys" which Mrs. Allen and I will definitely take advantage of.

I have been so definitely tied up with basketball that I have not had an opportunity to get down much to see some of your fine shows. There were three that I especially counted upon seeing that I missed entirely, but I am hoping that now that most of our numerous games are over I can stretch a picture show in between these that are strung out more from now on.

With all good wishes for a happy New Year,
I am

Rotarily yours,

FCA:AH

President.

*Commonwealth Lawrence
Theatre Corporation*

LAWRENCE, KANSAS

JAYHAWKER · GRANADA · VARSITY · PATEE

December 28, 1943

Dr. "Phog" Allen
801 Louisiana St.
Lawrence, Kansas

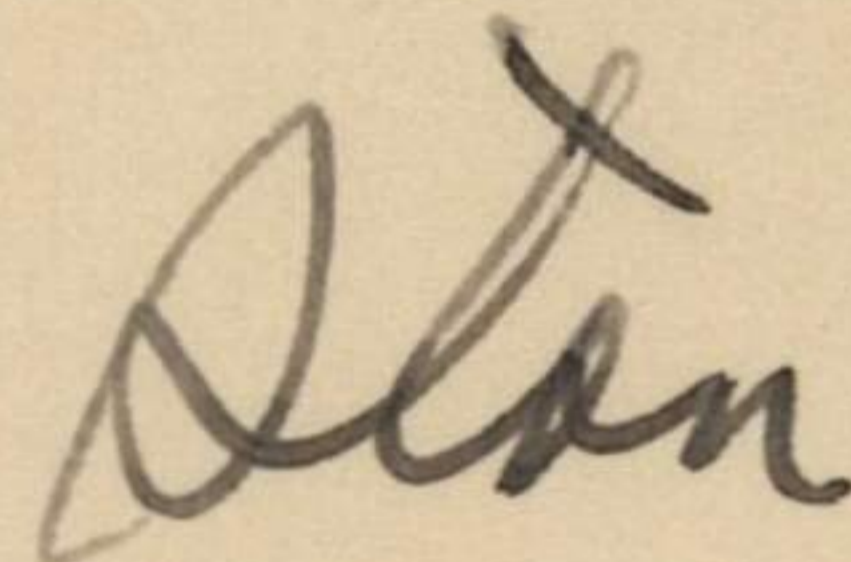
Dear "Phog":

Many thanks for the Rotary plaque. I have it hanging in my office. It is one of the finest gifts that I have ever received.

If you can find time, come down and catch a few shows. These passes are attached.

Seasons greetings and a Happy New Year.

Kindest personal regards,



Stan Schwahn

SS:MH

January 27, 1944.

Mr. Sam Smith,
United Press,
600 City Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Sam:

The very lengthy epistle addressed to Mr. Hugh Fullerton may fatigue you, but there is a lot of meat in there, brother. Whether some of the boys can find it or not remains to be seen, but there are some thought-provoking arguments in some of these pages.

I sent the letter to Hugh Fullerton on Tuesday evening by air mail. You may use your own good judgment in using any part of it.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH
Enc.

STATE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
OLATHE, KANSAS

Superintendent's Office



January 25, 1944

Professor F. C. Allen
Department of Physical Education
Kansas University
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Professor Allen:

Mr. Stookey, the State Architect, tells me that there are blue prints, probably available from your department, of concrete tennis courts that were recently built at the University. I am wondering if I could borrow these prints long enough to get the specifications for building courts here at the School for the Deaf. I will return them promptly.

Yours sincerely,

A cursive handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "H. M. Quigley".

H. M. Quigley, Superintendent

rm



TREASURY DEPARTMENT

WASHINGTON

DEFENSE SAVINGS STAFF

January 26, 1944

To the Members of the
Special Names Committee

Dear Friends:

Again I wish to say the Special Names Committee is doing a good job. So far as I have been able to contact the members of the Committee, I find the canvass has been made promptly and the results have been all we could hope for.

Doubtless you have found quite a few conflicts between the work of our Committee and the other Committees on the Drive. Probably most of these are unavoidable. However, the main point is to sell bonds; to whom the credit goes is a minor matter.

If you have some prospects who have money in the bank and may want to use it later, don't overlook the possibility of the 7/8 Per Cent Bonds. If purchased and kept for 60 days or more, they will materially help war finances.

Many of the members have turned in their cards and reported progress. If you have not turned in your cards to the Chamber of Commerce, do so now. Even if you have not finished the job, turn in the cards of those who have bought or given a definite promise. If there is any way that George Docking or I can help, let us know.

Thanking you for your co-operation, I am

Cordially yours,

JVS:M



STATE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
OLATHE, KANSAS

Superintendent's Office



January 26, 1944

Professor F. C. Allen
Department of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Professor Allen:

I wrote you yesterday asking for blueprints for tennis courts built at the University, but today I received from Professor Russell a set of drawings that I had requested some time ago. This was the information I needed, and I am sorry to have troubled you.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "H. M. Quigley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

H. M. Quigley, Superintendent

rm

December 29, 1943.

Mr. J. Milton Sullivant,
Sheridan, Bishop & Sullivant,
Paola, Kansas.

Dear Milt:

I find that it has been twenty days since your request for a letter. Somehow in the rush of pre-Christmas and Christmas-time, my basketball team has kept me in a constant dither. I am indeed sorry that I have not done this thing earlier, but trust that it is still time for you to get the letter in to your board.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

December 29, 1943.

Officer in Charge,
United States Naval Reserve,
Fort Leavenworth Reception Center,
Leavenworth, Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I am very happy to commend to you for your consideration J. Milton Sullivant, a practicing attorney at Paola, Kansas. Milt Sullivant was one of our star football players on the varsity here in the years of 1937, 1938 and 1939. He captained the 1939 team and made a brilliant record. The following year, in the fall of 1940 and a part of 1941, Sullivant was assistant freshman football coach. He also participated in the quarter-mile in track in 1937 and was an outstanding performer.

Sullivant's extracurricular activities caused him to be elected to the Men's Student Council as a representative of the Law, Medicine and Graduate Schools. He was also president of his second year Law class and a member of the Dean's Honor Roll while in the College.

I have known Milton Sullivant for ten years. He has impressed me as a young man of purpose, determination, high character and outstanding qualities in academics and athletics. He has the ability to make friends. His success is not of the mere accidental type but is founded upon intelligence and perseverance.


I am happy to recommend him to you without reservation.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

LAW OFFICES OF

Sheridan  Bishop & Sullivant

BOTH PHONES NO. 65

Paola, Kansas

BERNARD L. SHERIDAN
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J. MILTON SULLIVANT

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December 9, 1943

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

I think the time is approaching when it would be well for men in my position to start making some plans for military service.

The local draft board in Paola is taking pre-Pearl Harbor fathers now, as are other draft boards throughout Kansas. I am very much interested in a branch of the Navy designated Specialist A Athletics. Perhaps you are familiar with this. The only possibility of getting into the branch, however, is through enlisting or volunteering through your draft board. By reason of my color perception defect it is my intention to take a pre-induction physical examination at Leavenworth, at which time it will be possible for me to find out whether or not I could be accepted by any branch of the Navy, and if I should be acceptable for Naval service I would request assignment to Specialist A Athletics at which time I would like very much to have a letter from you.

To refresh your recollection a bit, I played on the '37, '38 and '39 football team, being captain of the '39 team, and also worked as assistant Freshman football coach in the fall of '40 and part of '41. I also participated in track in '37, was a representative on the Men's Student Council from the Law, Medicine and Graduate School, President of my second year law class and a member of the Dean's Honor Roll while in College.

I know that you have been called upon to write many letters of this nature recently and will know exactly what I want.

I think one of the most important features of the letter would be to stress the fact that I have had experience as a coach while assisting with the Freshman football team at the University.

Please address this letter to the Officer in Charge, United States Naval Reserve, Ft. Leavenworth Reception Center, Leavenworth, Kansas, and then send it to me at Paola.

Thanking you for your favor in this matter and with kindest



#2--Dr. Forrest C. Allen

regards, I am

Yours truly,

J. Milton Sullivan

JMS/RMF

P. S. I am enclosing a copy of qualifications desired for a Specialist A rating as compiled by the Navy.

I. SPECIALIST (A)

1. Qualifications:

- (a) Positive leadership ability.
- (b) Good physical specimen with military bearing.
- (c) Alert and pleasing personality.
- (d) Experience as a competitor or teacher in one or more highly competitive sports (football, boxing, basketball, track, swimming, soccer, lacrosse, etc.).
- (e) Education- at least four years high school or equivalent.
- (f) Minimum age- 21 years.

2. In view of the assignment of a large number of specialist (A) as recruit instructors, special consideration should be given to the following as candidates for this classification:

- (a) Men who have demonstrated outstanding leadership ability as apprentice petty officers during recruit training.
- (b) Men who have had previous measurable experience as military drill instructors.

3. Disposition: Unless otherwise directed, transfer in present ratings to U. S. Naval Training Station, Bainbridge, Maryland, for instruction in Physical I_nstructors School in numbers to fill weekly quotas as directed by theⁿ Bureau.

4. Students who are found unsatisfactory in the course at the Physical Instructors' School shall be transferred to general detail.

December 29, 1943.

Dean D. M. Swarthout,
School of Fine Arts.

Dear Dean Swarthout:

Ralph Cannon dropped me a line from his "Esquire" desk in Chicago and said, "When you see Dean Swarthout tell him I ran across Prof. Seldomridge at a football dinner the other night." Cannon said he was the speech man when you were at Millikan. Of course you will remember him, and he is asking to be remembered to you.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

WAR PRODUCTION BOARD

414 Interstate Building
Kansas City 6, Missouri

December 11, 1943

IN REPLY REFER TO:

Forest C. Allen, Director
Department of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear "Phog":

Thanks very much for your letter of
December 7, inviting me to attend the basketball game
Saturday night, December 11.

I should have written you long before this,
but we have had a lot of sickness in the office, and
I have been pretty busy with some Washington representa-
tives.

I told Karl Klooz yesterday to tell you that
I appreciated your invitation very much and I was sorry
that I couldn't accept, as Mrs. Shaeffer is not feeling
very well and my daughter, Anne, will be at the University
for a dance Saturday night.

I sincerely regret that you could not be at
our luncheon, and I will look forward to having the oppor-
tunity of seeing you again in the very near future.

Thanking you, and with kindest personal regards,
I remain

Yours very sincerely,

Charles B. Shaeffer
Charles B. Shaeffer



December 10, 1943.

Mr. Marvin Sollenberger,
413 North Bleckley Drive,
Wichita 8, Kansas.

Dear Solly:

It was a great pleasure to hear from you and to know about the fine team you have assembled at Boeing. I am sorry that it will be impossible for us to schedule a game with you. We already have a full schedule, and the Chancellor has objected to the number of games. So I am sure we could not add a game with your team.

Your basketball safety glasses were purchased from Mr. L. E. Means, Sales Director for the Safe-Play Goggles, Beloit, Wisconsin. I would be glad to write him for you, but since you have already had correspondence with him I am sure that you can handle it.

We will be happy to see you any time you can come to Lawrence. Hope you will be able to see some of our games.

With kindest regards to you and your wife, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

413 North Bleckley Drive
Wichita, 8, Kansas
December 7, 1943

Dr. F. C. Allen
Director of Physical Education
Robinson Gym
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen,

I trust you are well and enjoying an eventful basket ball season. I recently read in the Wichita papers that you are expected to have another powerful squad this year. We have a pretty fair aggregation here at Boeing, and I am wondering if we could interest you in a game in spite of your already heavy schedule.

Our team is made up of fairly large players; Charlie Halbert, who played for West Texas Teachers, is 6'9" tall and is as good as any boy his size. We have another boy who is 6'6", and about four boys ranging from 6'2" to 6'4" in height. We finished last year's season by beating Phillips 66 at Bartlesville just a week before they went to Denver and won the National. We have three games scheduled with Phillips 66 again this year, two or three games with the Hutchinson Navy Base, and several other service teams besides our regular league games here in Wichita.

George Gardner is our coach, and he said he would like very much to have a game with you if it could be arranged. He was thinking, in particular, of a Red Cross Benefit game here in Wichita, which, of course, would guarantee your expenses. I would appreciate hearing from you regarding this matter, and if you are interested please let me know of any open dates you have.

Dr. Allen, I am also writing to you regarding my basket ball safety glasses. I need to have the strength of my lenses increased and I have forgotten the name of the company who manufacturers them. Would you please send me the necessary information concerning the optical company.

I would surely like to come back and pay a visit to K.U. this winter, but I am afraid my working schedule will not permit that. Give my regards to Dean and the fellows, and my best wishes for a successful season this year.

Sincerely yours,

Solly
Marvin Sollenberger

MS:jk

December 8, 1943.

Mrs. H. P. Swisher, Sr.,
2020 McGowan,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Swisher:

I am autographing the book and mailing the same to you today as you desire. Thank you for the check, and I trust that your son will enjoy the text.

There are seven stories of great games in the back, entitled "Tales of Yesteryears", and even though you may not be a basketball fan, I believe that you will enjoy reading them. It gives a mother an insight on why young boys like athletics, and your son in his maturity will still get a kick out of reading of these great games.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Houston, Texas

12-3-43

Mr. Forrest C. Allen

Lawrence Kansas.

Sir: Enclosed, please find
check for \$4 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀, for which
please send me your book
"Better Basket Ball" & send
at your earliest convenience

Very Respectfully

Mrs. H. P. Swisher Sr.

2020. M^cGowan.

Houston, Texas.

P.S. I would appreciate it
if you would express the
"thought" you mentioned for me
as yours might be more appropriate
& "Thanks"

November 27, 1943.

Mrs. H. P. Swisher, Sr.,
2020 McGowan Ave.,
Houston, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Swisher:

I will be very happy to autograph and mail you a copy of "Better Basketball", if you will send your check or a money order for \$4.00. It has never been our practice to mail a book c.o.d. as this adds to the cost. The collection charges would make the book cost you around \$4.50, whereas if it is sent to you prepaid it costs you only \$4.00.

Is there any special thought in the autograph that you would like me to express to your son? I will give it my immediate attention upon your reply.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Houston Texas

Mr. Forrest C. Allen

11-24-43

Lawrence Kansas.

Sir:— Please send me your
book "Better Basketball."

C. O. N. F.; please, Typograph
same, as I want this for
my sons, Xmas gift.

— (Dr. H. P. Swisher fr.)

Please send at your
very, earliest, convenience
to—

Mrs. H. P. Swisher Sr.
2020. W. Gorman Ave.
Houston, Texas.