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Hello Phog!

It seems I am always slow
in writing after I receive one of your
rebounded but after reading the
news about T. P. Hunter I sat
down to write but nothing I
could say or do would help the
feeling I felt for ^{such} a great lad so
I tore the page up and am
now letting you know that every
one of us thank you for letting
us know the facts concerning T. P.'s
death. The sad part of it all, is
a small island such as Saipan is it
worth all the blood spilled to secure
them for stepping stones, that we
have to ~~have~~ to get at those men,
or so called men But does really
~~from~~ Japan. But I am sure

they will never forget such men
as T.P. Hunter - When I say "they"
I mean Japan's imbecile population.
For to take T.P. ^{battle} ^{have to} would be a
battle of uneven odds. But after it
was over the odds would be even.
He was a great guy:

I read in the papers where K. U.
football team isn't doing so bad -
Beat Washburn - tied T.C. J + Denver,
It is really swell to see the reports,
all the power to them -

I didn't make navigation,
missed my commission by 7
days - I wasn't good enough in
my celestial work so now they
are trying to make a Bombardier
out of me - Maybe I will be
better at trying to make something
out of the marks that I am at
getting ~~to get~~ some where. By using
the stars as my guide.

I have a four week refresher course then back to 7 day school week again. I kind of hate to start that over again. But knowledge never hurt anyone - "so they tell me" I - often wonder -

They have a Football team here and have started practicing Basket ball. But I can't play because I am in air cadet training - and I don't mind gipping about it -

My Commanding Officer - Lt Courey was quite an athlete in his day - he was on that famous line of ordnance had back in ²⁸⁻²⁹ past, played end - I saw the picture in his office. But except the name the line was called - quite a line.

I haven't heard from Armand Rifan for quite a while - Have you? If you haven't he is

seeing action for he hinted that
he thought he would be out soon
to parts unknown for he remarked
that his training was over —

This is a fairly long letter
for me Doctor! Give my love
to Mrs Allen, Miss Hulter, Fran
and all the rest — I think about
K. V. after —

Cordially

Otto

Schnellbacher

new address

c/o Otto O. Schnellbacher 17082946
P. O. Box 3
Selman Field
Monroe Louisiana

Dr Otto O. Schnellbacher 112082946

Class 45-9

H.A.A.F

Haulinger

Texas

Wednesday Eve.
Jan 17-15.

Hello Doc:

Finally got around to writing again. But as you know the army is always keeping one busy until about all he gets done is getting up and going to bed.

Have been playing a little sports, Played 3 games of football and 5 games of Basketball at Selman Field, Tex. It was sure good to get to play - By the way, ran across an old friend of yours - He refereed one of the games I played in - His name is Mr. Phillips, If I remember right he was all American in about 28 or 29 - a short fellow - used to coach some where in Missouri I believe - He told me he stayed at your place for a few days one time, - Sends his regards to both of you. - The ms.

Also I have heard some swell reports about Gordon Gray ~~is~~ here in Texas.

Every one here in Halingen asks me if I know him - I just ~~met~~ ^{met} him once; but he is strictly tops in this part of the country.

I am now playing ball for Halingen air field when I can get out of class to do so - I play my first game this Saturday with them. I'll tell you a secret Doc. Every time some of the Physical training ^{instructors} get me cornered they ask me about your system and defense - I tell them what I know then tell them to read your book. "Better Basketball"

I have played everything, according to systems, but still prefer K. U. "Hoop all over" style of Basketball. If Halingen plays Corpus Christi again I may get to see Ray Brown - He is stationed at Corpus Christi - It is good to run across some old K. U. fellows.

I am going to summer school

now - have 5 weeks yet then go to bombardiering school.

Did I ever tell you I got engaged a few months ^{ago,} ago - well I did! no wedding date set. Probably won't go that far until after the world war. She graduated and is now teaching school in Minnesota - I met her in Minnesota - a Miss Penner is her name - she handles me.

Carit thinks I need more to write, have been writing Dixie at least once a week - will both be back to K.V. as soon as this mess is over. Read where you are tied with Iowa state for first place - Hoping to see where Kansas ends up in first place - we're pulling for you whatever the outcome.

Give my best wishes to all - Mr. Webster, Hulteen, Dean - and the Rest.

and mine

New address

Otto.

X Otto O. Schellbacher 17082946
class 45-9 H.A.A.F
Harrison Texas

December 26, 1944.

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Mr. Dick Sklar,
Equitable Life Assurance Society,
1815 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Dick:

This afternoon I walked into the Eldridge Hotel and met Mike Getto talking with his father-in-law, Billy Hutson, and Jim Messer. Mike and I were reminiscing on some things and in the course of our conversation, I said, "Mike, a lot of water has gone over the dam, hasn't it? Do you remember when Dick Sklar was a freshman from Monongahela, Pennsylvania, and you walked into my office and said, 'Doc, there is a fellow here from the East that is living above the DeLuxe cafe and doing his own laundry, washing his sox, and so forth, trying to make a go of it.'"

"You said, 'Doc, I wonder if there is any way we might get a loan for this fellow to go back home for Christmas week. He is homesick and I believe if we could get a loan he would pay the creditor at his first opportunity.'

"I said, 'Well, Mike, I don't have any individual that I could think of that would loan this money. We could not, of course, loan the Athletic Association money.' "

Mike said, "I was just wondering if you knew of anyone." And then Mike went on to recommend you further, Dick, saying that you were here for business and he knew that any investment of confidence placed in you would not be misplaced. I said, "Mike, bring him in." And Mike brought you into my office. I remember distinctly telling you, Dick, that this was my money that I had worked for the same as anyone else, and I had no fund of any sort to draw upon.

I recounted this to Mike yesterday. I said, "Mike, it has been a good many years since that took place, hasn't it, and Dick has been doing pretty well." And Mike said, "Yes, Dick has been doing well. I know that."

I said, "Mike, I loaned him \$35.00 and told him he wouldn't have to pay that until he got out of school. He paid one dollar and then he made another payment of \$5.00, and since then he has made no payments whatsoever, and I understand he is doing pretty well with insurance at the present time, with the Equitable."

Dick, somehow I think that you will want to take care of this. Certainly I have given you no reason why you should not have taken care of it before. I will wait a couple of weeks and see if you don't want to send me the \$29.00 which you owe me.

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Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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December 18, 1944.

Mr. Cy Sherman,
Sports Editor,
The Lincoln Star,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Cy:

I saw your comment in the Sunday Lincoln Star and Journal of December 17.

Confidentially, the Saturday Evening Post is running an editorial in the December 23rd issue which comes out Wednesday, December 20, in which they discuss the Garden set-up. I do not know what it is going to contain, but I have an inkling that it will bear on the Garden situation.

It was interesting, wasn't it, that the 14 point margin was right in the middle. The gamblers got the money and the suckers paid the fiddler.

Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

April 23, 1945.

The Educational Placement Office,
State University of Iowa,
Iowa City, Iowa.

Gentlemen:

I desire to evaluate the services of our Mr. Reginald R. Strait, who came to us in October, 1942, from Chanute, Kansas, where he had been Director of Physical Education for the Chanute Public Schools, and a teacher in the Junior College of that city.

We had previously known Mr. Strait several years before he came to us, and we were always attracted to him by his ready response and affable personality. We have found in Mr. Strait everything that we had hoped for prior to engaging him. He is clean, courteous, highly efficient and most dependable. He is a man's man.

Perhaps I had better state that when we engaged Mr. Strait we were on a very heavy program of conditioning for our Army and Navy personnel. The first unit that Mr. Strait did exceptional work with was our Navy V-5 unit. In my opinion, this was the top outfit among our V-5, V-12, ASTP, Machinists' Mates and Electricians' Mates. At one time we had nearly twenty-five hundred trainees, running ten thousand man hours per week in this department.

With enthusiasm and vigor Mr. Strait did an outstanding job with the V-5 and V-12 units. On a number of occasions I was informed by the Navy personnel that Mr. Strait was their choice among our five civilian physical directors.

We place exceptionally high dependence and confidence in Mr. Strait. In our School of Education, where we have a major in Physical Education, Mr. Strait is now teaching Community Recreation, and in the fall term he teaches Hygiene. He is an excellent teacher in these academic subjects. In addition to this, we have a University High School in which he supervises the practice teaching of our Physical Education majors among the men. Added to these duties he supervises the swimming pool which includes, of course, the cleanliness as well as the taking of bi-weekly bacteriological tests.

In other words, we have learned to rely upon him in a great many capacities and we are happy to say that he has never disappointed us the slightest in any of them. On the other hand, he is responsive to an exceptional degree in reaching out for new activities.

He owns his own home here in Lawrence. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce, and takes his place as a good citizen of this community. He has a lovely wife who is highly gifted with musical attainments. They make a very charming addition to our faculty.

It is a pleasure for me to attest to Mr. Strait's high integrity and exceptional attainments.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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April 23, 1945.

Honorable Andrew F. Schoeppel,
Governor of Kansas,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor Schoeppel:

On behalf of the K Club, which comprises the lettermen of all competitive sports at the University of Kansas, we desire to thank you and your lovely wife most heartily for your unselfish spirit in coming to Lawrence for the K Club dance. And for the crowning event, - the crowning of the queen. You must have crowned queens before - you did it so artfully!

Your and Mrs. Schoeppel's presence made the party the grand success that it was. Each and every one of us who are varsity men are mighty happy to have another great Kansas athlete as Governor of the State. To have a Governor who has sympathy for varsity competition and who has been a participant, such as you have been, delights us no end.

We know the sacrifice that you made to make this trip and we trust that the trip was not too fatiguing on Mrs. Schoeppel who, we understand, is convalescing from a severe illness. Won't you kindly convey our kindest regards and best wishes to her, and accept our sincere thanks?

Appreciatively yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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The SALVATION ARMY

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CAPT. and MRS. ROBERT J. GETZ, Officers in Charge



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March 17, 1945

Dr. Allen
801 La.
Lawrence, Kansas

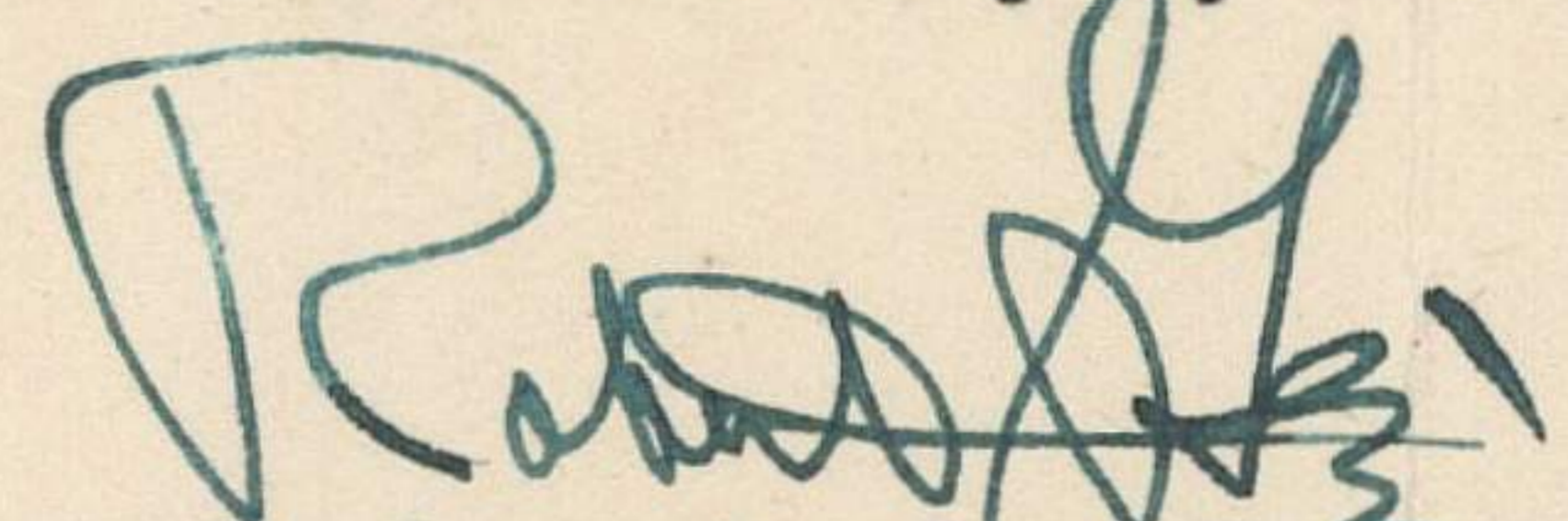
Dear Friend of the Advisory Board:

I am sending you, under separate cover, the annual report of The Salvation Army Lawrence Corps. I am sorry that it was impossible for you to be at the meeting in that several items of great importance were discussed.

Let me tell you in part some of the meeting. The Board saw a moving picture entitled "Behind the Tambourine" depicting some of The Salvation Army work. After this the annual report was given by myself and questions asked pertaining to some of the figures in the report. Mr. Hoover reported on a debt by the local Salvation Army owing to Kansas City, Mo. Mr. Sees reported on the purchasing of a property for a home. Mr. Smith reported the possibility of the city of Lawrence purchasing our property for the erection of the new city hall and I presented building plans for our post war plan. The officers of last year were frozen to this position for the following nine months and the annual board meeting was changed to January instead of March as has been the custom.

I hope you will find pleasure in reading the report and we shall look forward to our next meeting with you present.

Sincerely yours


Robert J. Getz
Captain

RJG:md

George L. Carpenter
General

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Territorial Commander

Victor Lundgren
Divisional Commander

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April 7, 1945.

Mr. Kenneth Smith,
Lenexa, Kansas.

Dear Kenneth:

Thanks for your greeting and kind words regarding a very old man who people think is young. It is nice of you to say the things you do, but remember - we know our age!

Sincerely,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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

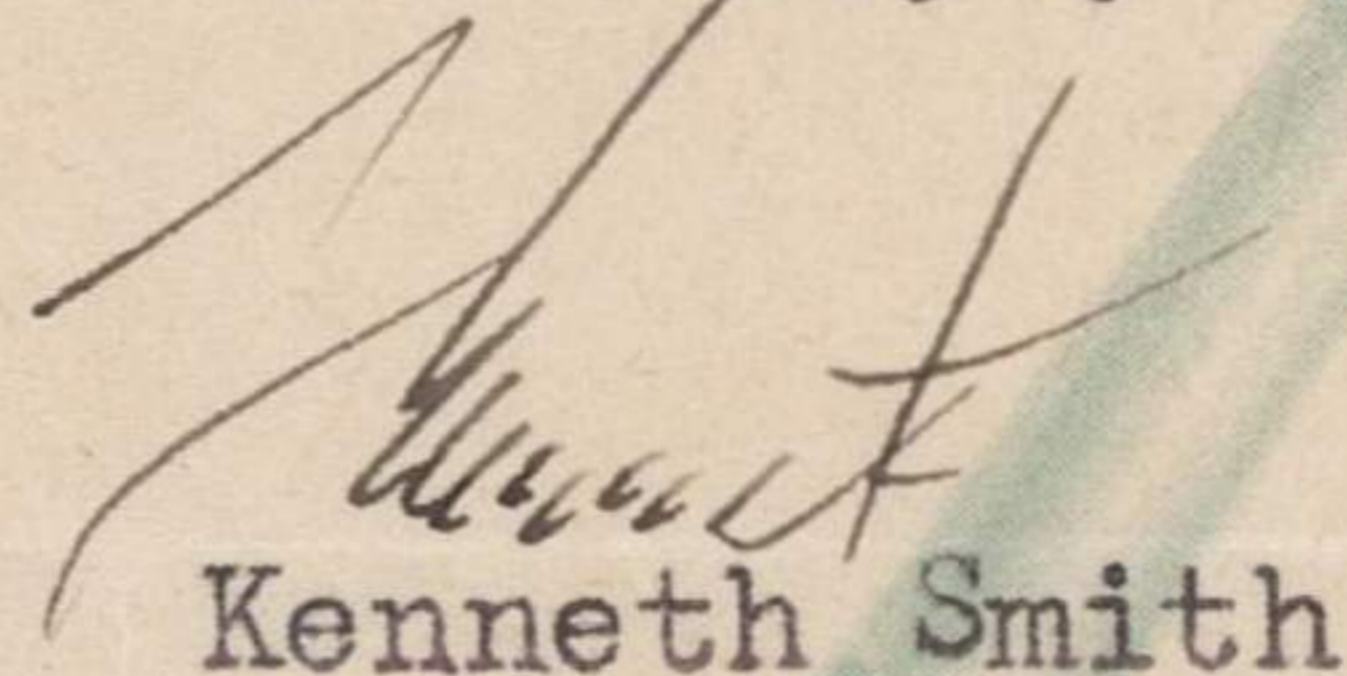
Dear Dr. Allen:

Up until recently I always thought a fellow had to be at least gray to get into the 40 years ago column. *KC STAR*
Congratulations to you. You have done a great job and have kept young doing it.

Hope you are getting in frequent good games.

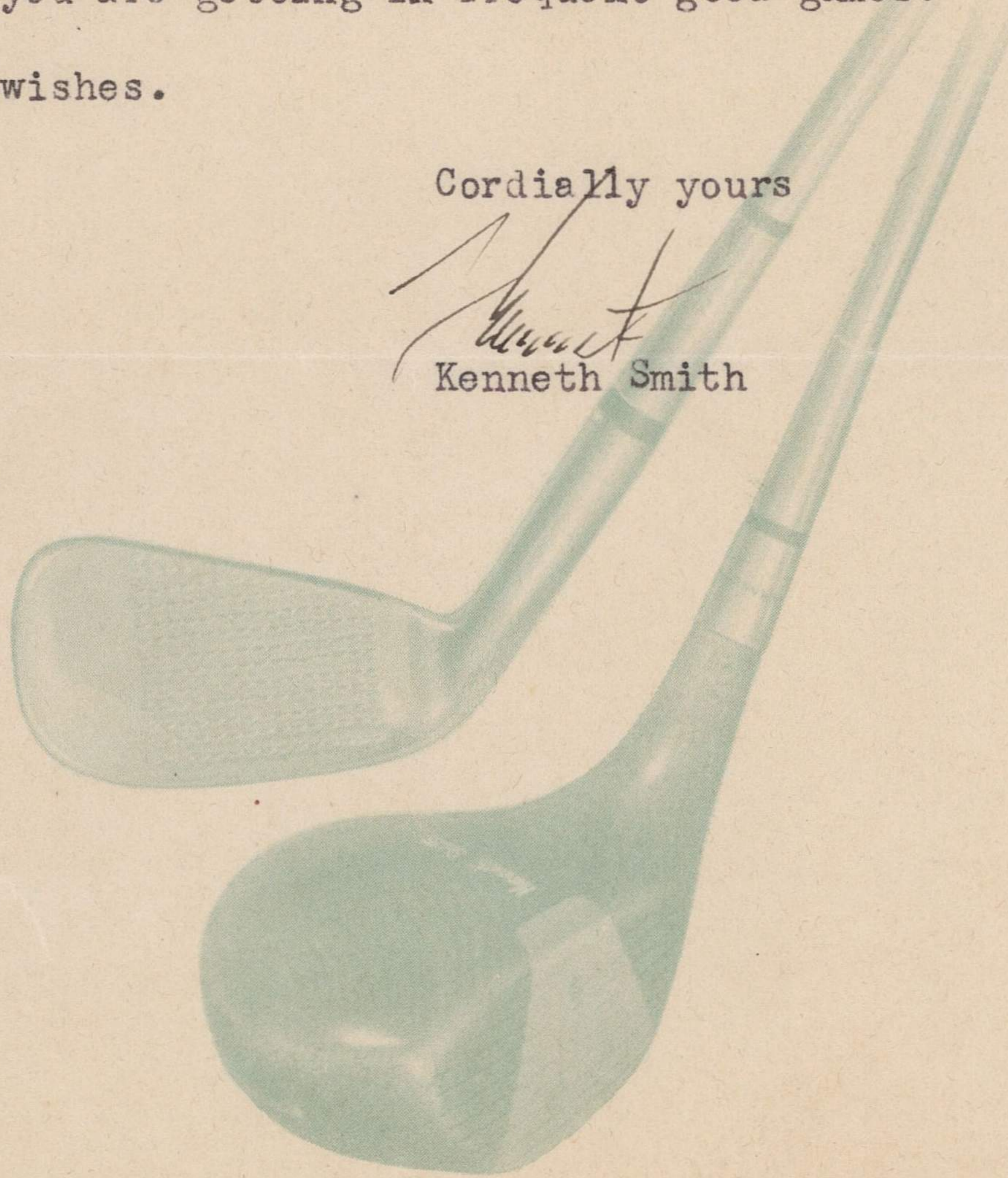
Best wishes.

Cordially yours



Kenneth Smith

KS/ez



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STATE LEGISLATORS FOR THE XXII AMENDMENT

To de-centralize Federal Government—to re-establish State's Rights

AN ARGUMENT FOR THE XXII AMENDMENT

"The power to tax is the power to destroy"—to destroy the States of the American Union.

Unless a ceiling is placed on the power of the Federal Government to tax, it can destroy the States by drawing into Washington so much of the wealth created in the States and their towns, cities and counties, that they cannot finance their own activities.

Many States have constitutional limitations on their taxing and borrowing power. Thousands of local governments have statutory limitations of the same character.

If it is sound to limit the taxing power of State and local government, it is doubly sound to limit with respect to income, gift and inheritance taxes, that power in the hands of the Federal Government. This, for the reason that the Federal Government (as court decisions seem to indicate) has a prior claim on all wealth and income upon which all governments, Federal, State and local, must depend.

In 1938, Governor Lehman of New York, in a letter to Senator Pat Harrison of the Senate Finance Committee, wrote:

"The independent sovereignty of the States is threatened by Federal taxing policies . . . If one of two governments having equal, concurrent jurisdiction to levy a tax, actually monopolizes the field to the ex-

clusion or the near exclusion of the other, it may follow that that other government will be destroyed or at least starved into impotency. The extent to which the Federal Government has been and is ignoring the rights of the States in the income (personal and corporate) and estate tax fields and virtually monopolizing those fields to the exclusion of the States, is truly alarming."

This danger, now so apparent, was foreseen by a few men when the 16th Amendment was before the State Legislatures for ratification in 1910. At that time, Governor Charles E. Hughes of New York and some of the country's most distinguished lawyers such as Joseph H. Choate, warned of the dangers of an unlimited power to tax being given the Federal Government. In a brief before the New York Legislature it was said:

". . . It is almost universally conceded that no such taxing power can be safely vested in Congress, and that the existence of the power might seriously imperil the independence and autonomy of the several States . . . It is, of course, now elementary that the power to tax is the strongest of all governmental powers, that it 'acknowledges no limits but the will of the legislative body imposing the tax,' that it is indisputably the power to destroy, and that of all powers, it is the one most liable to abuse . . . There is, indeed, no limit to the possible ascent in the scale of progression, and no power to prevent abuse and oppression on the part of temporary or irresponsible

majorities. All property owners are then completely at their mercy, and the property of the whole country may be threatened with confiscation . . . It should also be borne in mind that New York may any day want to levy an income tax as a substitute for the present personal property tax and in order to relieve real estate. There is no doubt as to the power of the State to levy income taxes. It may soon become necessary; and, if honestly and capably administered, such a tax would operate equitably and fairly. If Congress should also have and exercise the same power, the resources of the State in this respect, to provide for her own urgent public improvements, would be necessarily curtailed. And the Federal tax would have precedence . . . Such power, however, should be so limited as not in any degree to impair or to diminish the ability of any State fully and freely to maintain itself, and to discharge those vastly preponderant duties attaching to local jurisdiction, which, in express terms, are reserved from the constitutional delegation to the United States."

The far-sightedness of these statements is now plain to all.

When the 16th Amendment was before Congress in 1909, a Federal income tax return of 2% was in mind. It was suggested that a limit of 10% be placed in the proposed 16th Amendment. This was laughed off on the ground that it was ridiculous to think that the Federal income tax rate ever would be as high as 10%.

How ridiculous was it when we now see the rate as high as 95%?

The latter is a wartime rate, it is true, and no objection is made to high taxes to help pay to win a war. The proposed XXII Amendment permits high rates to win a war. We are talking, however, of rates for post-war and peacetime.

It is plain that if the Federal Government can tax incomes 95% in wartime, it can tax them 95% in peacetime, or at some lower but still excessive rate, with the result that so much of the wealth of the States will be drained into Washington, that Governors and county and city officials will have to go to Washington, like blind beggars with tin cups in their hands, to beg back part of the wealth

created in their own communities, to sustain local government activities.

The empty shell of State and local governments under such circumstances would be preserved, but the life would be gone. This would be the end of "an indestructible union of indestructible states." The republic would have been destroyed by the tax route, with the most far-reaching implications to the survival of free institutions.

To place a peacetime limit upon the power of the Federal Government to tax incomes would not reduce, by a dime, the revenue of the Federal Government over the years. It would increase it by stimulating production and expanding the tax base.

It is an illusion to think that the Federal Government has resources of wealth to spend which are not possessed by the 48 States, the 3,000 counties and the thousands of local governments. Every dollar of wealth not drained into Washington would continue in existence and would be available for taxation by the States to the extent that they found it necessary.

However, when State and local governments levy taxes upon their own citizens, close to the tax-levying authorities, less money is wasted and less money needs to be raised for the support of government. The less money taken in taxes, the more is left in the hands of the people. The temptation to waste is far less. The safeguards against waste and extravagance are far greater.

Furthermore, the proposed limitation of the taxing power of the Federal Government would result in the vast encouragement and expansion of enterprises, new and old, necessary to provide jobs in post-war America.

It is for these and other reasons that this committee, composed exclusively of members of State Legislatures, has been organized, to prevent State and local governments from being destroyed by the vampire of Federal taxing and spending.

Merle B. Smith

Chairman

STATE LEGISLATORS FOR THE XXII AMENDMENT

FORM OF RESOLUTION AS NOW PROPOSED FOR ADOPTION
BY STATE LEGISLATURES MEETING IN 1945.

RESOLUTION

Memorializing the Congress of the United States of America
to Propose an Amendment to the Constitution
of the United States Relative to Taxes
on Incomes, Inheritances and Gifts

WHEREAS the legislatures of seventeen states have passed resolutions requesting Congress to call a Convention for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States limiting the power of Congress to tax incomes, inheritances and gifts; and

WHEREAS the legislature of this State believes it to be for the best interest of the people of the United States that such an amendment be adopted;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of

That the Congress of the United States of America be and it hereby is requested to propose the following article as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States:

"ARTICLE

"Section 1. The sixteenth article of amendment to the Constitution of the United States is hereby repealed.

"Sec. 2. The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes on incomes, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several

states, and without regard to any census or enumeration. The maximum aggregate rate of all taxes, duties and excises which the Congress may lay or collect on, with respect to, or measured by, income, however, shall not exceed 25 per centum. In the event that the United States shall be engaged in a war which creates a national emergency so grave as to necessitate such action to avoid national disaster, the Congress by a vote of three-fourths of each house may, while the United States is so engaged, suspend, for periods not exceeding one year each, such limitation with respect to income subsequently accruing or received.

"Sec. 3. The maximum aggregate rate of all taxes, duties, and excises which the Congress may lay or collect with respect to the devolution or transfer of property, or any interest therein, upon or in contemplation of or intended to take effect in possession or enjoyment at or after death, or by way of gift, shall not exceed 25 per centum.

"Sec. 4. Sections 1 and 2 shall take effect at midnight on the 31st day of December following the ratification of this article. Nothing contained in this article shall affect the power of the United States after said date to collect any tax on, with

respect to, or measured by, income for any period ending on or prior to said 31st day of December laid in accordance with the terms of any law then in effect.

"Sec. 5. Section 3 shall take effect at midnight on the last day of the sixth month following the ratification of this article. Nothing contained in this article shall affect the power of the United States after said date to collect any tax with respect to any devolution or transfer occurring prior to the taking effect of Section 3, laid in accordance with the terms of any law then in effect."

And be it further

Resolved, that the Congress of the United States be, and it hereby is, requested to provide as the

mode of ratification that said amendment shall be valid to all intents and purposes, as part of the Constitution of the United States, when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states; and be it further

Resolved, that the Secretary of State be, and he hereby is, directed to send a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Senate of the United States and one to the House of Representatives in the Congress of the United States.

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This resolution is submitted by the State Legislators for the XXII Amendment.

Merle B. Smith

Chairman

STATE LEGISLATORS FOR THE XXII AMENDMENT

Status of State Legislatures on the Proposed XXII Amendment on Date of January 1, 1945

List of States that will be in session the first week in January that have not passed the Resolution—total 29 States:

Arizona	Idaho	Nebraska	Ohio	Texas
California	Kansas	Nevada	Oklahoma	Utah
Colorado	Maryland	New Mexico	Oregon	Vermont
Connecticut	Minnesota	New York	So. Carolina	Washington
Florida (April)	Missouri	No. Carolina	So. Dakota	West Virginia
Georgia	Montana	No. Dakota	Tennessee	

List of States that have passed the Resolution in both Houses to date—total 17 States:

Alabama	Indiana	Maine	Mississippi	Pennsylvania
Arkansas	Iowa	Massachusetts	New Hampshire	Rhode Island
Delaware	Kentucky	Michigan	New Jersey	Wisconsin
Illinois				Wyoming

There are two States that will not be in regular session in 1945 that have not passed the Resolution; they are Louisiana and Virginia.

There are six States that have passed the Resolution in but one House. They are:

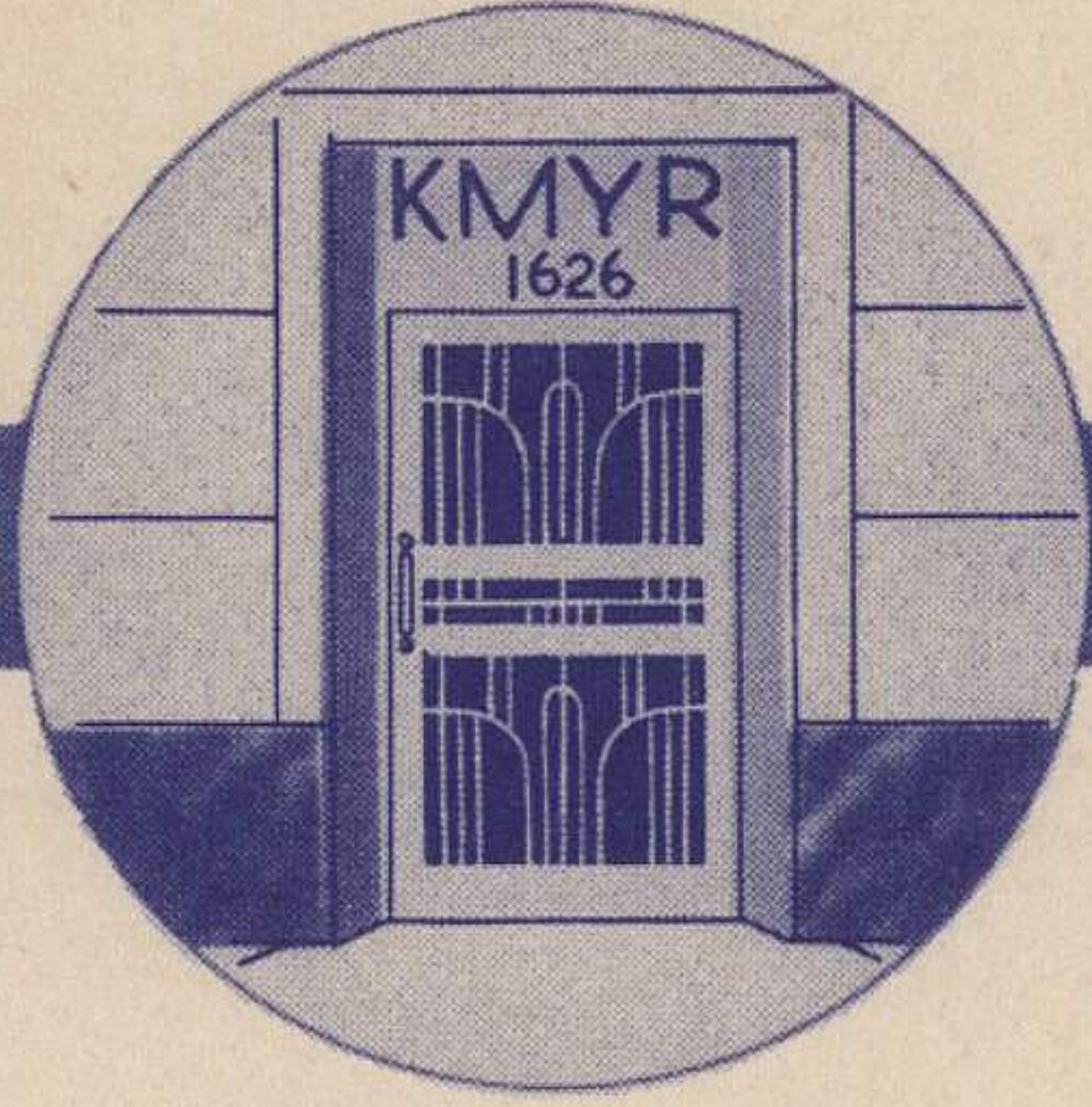
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Louisiana Senate	New York Senate	Virginia House

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Mr. Forrest C. "Phog" Allen
Varsity Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Phog:

Thanks for yours of the 22nd of March. It was a pleasure to be with you here and they are still talking about you.

The AAU was happiest when they knew you had left town. The other day I measured you both on the air (by transcription) and I assure you the good Kansas doctor was far out in front. I appreciate your vigor in approaching a touchy problem.

The Jayhawker Rebounds were of extreme interest to me. I would appreciate being on your mailing list.

Best personal regards,

Sincerely,

Mark

April 3, 1945.

Mr. F.W.B. Smith, A.C.I.S.,
Clerk to the Managers,
Long Eaton Schools,
Education Office,
Market Place,
Long Eaton, ENGLAND.

Dear Rotarian Smith:

I am rather late in answering your kind communication of March 16th. I have been away from the University much of late, which accounts for my failure to respond more promptly. We have a new president of our Rotary Club, Mr. Gerald Hesse, to whom I am turning over your very kind letter.

It was good to hear and know the history of your club. Nothing would give me more pleasure than for Mrs. Allen and me to visit your fine city after the war is concluded. Mrs. Allen has often said that her chief desire is to visit England, and I am very sure that with the mode of travel we will have after the war, this thing will come to pass for both of us.

Yes, indeed, we have heard of the very famous Nottingham lace, and we are glad to know that it is made in Long Eaton.

These friendly contacts between Rotarians of different countries will help in a very definite way to bring about even a better understanding between our two great countries. If we can cement a friendship that in the future will estop the war criminals, certainly catastrophes, if they could be averted, will be the thing that all men should strive for.

We have in our Rotary Club the Chancellor (President) of our University of Kansas, Mr. Deane W. Malott. Since your category is Education and Administration, I thought you might want the names of our University people in Lawrence Rotary Club. They are as follows:

Davis, Robert McNair - Education, Law School
Davis, W. W. - Education - College
Ellsworth, Fred - Assocs. - Alumni Association
Hungerford, H. B. - Education, Arts & Sciences
Jones, Ogden S. - Geologist
Klooz, Karl - Education, Administration
Nesmith, Dean D. - Physical Education
Stephenson, Eugene - Mineral Oil Industry

Yes, we have heard about your new Educational Act, and I am sure that it will do great things for your people in the British Isles. We are very hopeful that the G. I. Bill of Rights will give to every young man an opportunity to get a better technical, professional or classical education.

May I wish, Rotarian Smith, for you and your people a new dawn of better things in every possible way. You good people certainly deserve it.

Yours very sincerely in Rotary,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Strawn, Kansas

March 27, 1945

Forrest C. Allen, D.O.
Professor of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I am writing to you personally instead of the Extension Division. I would like to secure your services as Commencement speaker on May 16, 8 p.m. Strawn is located 9 miles due south of Lebo or 12 north west of Burlington on K-57.

*ok save
H.S.
on this
date.*

Are you available on this date and what is your fee?

Please let me know by return mail.

Sincerely,

L. C. Haughn

L. C. Haughn

March 28, 1945.

Mr. Charlie Stengel,
Manager, Kansas City American Association
Baseball Team,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear "Dutch":

Congratulations on the grand send-off that they gave you last evening at the President Hotel! Of course, you will have another one tonight. And after all these festivities are over you will be able to get down and do some real work. It was good to be with you and to hear you reminisce.

You did a great job of entertaining the boys and they liked every second of it.

Roy "Bud" Parmalee was promised by me an autographed copy of my book, "Better Basketball". I did not get his address and am wondering if you have been hearing from him lately. If not, I can write George Troutman and get it, but if you happen to have it, will you kindly send it to me? Since you are manager of the Kansas City Blues I imagine you have a stenographer. If you haven't I will bet I'll have to wait a long time for an answer. I made this last statement to challenge you.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



Chicago, Ill.
February 1, 1945

Dear Phog:

The last issue of Rebounds was forwarded to me from my former station at Iowa State, I enjoyed them, as rather the latter a great deal in fact your letters contain more news of interest to me than I can gather from all the other university publications put together.

The head of the athletic Dept. here at Naval Air Technical Training Center is Lt. Comdr. ~~Bolan~~ Bolan, formerly of Iowa University. One of the Chief Specialist (As) is George Alexander a fraternity brother of yours, he played basketball at Colo. in the early 30's.

Enclosed are clippings from some of the Chicago papers. Probably you receive the Chicago papers. Your past statements regarding the subject proved to be well founded

Since coming to this station I
was detached to Memphis, Tenn.
for 3 wks. temporary duty.
Lt. Comdr. Adams of U.S.N.C.
is in charge of athletics there.
They have a nice basketball
team there but no real competition.

I am trying for officers.
Training again, this time for V7.
The color perception defect seems
to be a real obstacle; the Dr.
here will recommend a waiver
but I doubt if it will be granted.

My family is still in Paola
and doing nicely. I was with them
in R.C. for a few hrs. Xmas day.

Thanks for the Rebounds
and please change my mailing
address to:

J. M. Sullivant Sp. Av. 3/4
Ath. Dept., U.S.N.C.
87th & Anthony Ave.
Chicago (17) Ill.

I am forwarding my copy to Lt.
Edwin Westhouse, a classmate
who is now in France.

Best wishes and good luck
to the ball club.

Milt Sullivant

JURY INDICTS 2 IN BASKETBALL BRIBERY CASE

Seek Legislation to Cover Offense.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 31 (AP).—Action in the basketball gambling scandal moved fast today as the Kings county grand jury indicted the two men alleged to have bribed five Brooklyn college players, state officials prepared to make such an offense a felony, and sportsmen thruout the country urged prompt steps be taken to curb wagering on intercollegiate sports.

The grand jury, in session until midnight last night on instructions of Judge Samuel S. Leibowitz, handed down an indictment charging Harvey Stemmer and Henry Rosen with conspiracy to commit the crime of larceny and defraud divers persons who would make money bets with Stemmer.

"More Vicious than Robbery."

Judge Leibowitz fixed bail of both men at \$25,000 each after Assistant District Attorney Martuscello had called their crime more vicious than robbery and said the ramifications of the case may assume such proportions that the defendants might want to flee. Their trial was set for Feb. 13. A third defendant, listed as John Doe, also was indicted.

The five players involved—Bernard Barnett, Larry Pearlstein, Jerry Green, Robert Leder, and Stanley Simon—also were named as co-conspirators but were not charged with any crime. In testimony before the grand jury the players said they had received money from Rosen and Stemmer on agreement to throw the game scheduled against Akron university in Boston tonight. This game has been canceled.

The quintet, all regulars except Pearlstein, already have been dropped from the basketball squad. Further action by the school will be taken tomorrow when the faculty-student athletic committee convenes. Leder is a member of the committee and also head of the College Men's Athletic association.

May Amend Penal Code.

The state law, as it now reads, makes it a felony to bribe a professional athlete but a bill amending the penal code so that amateur sports and athletes may be covered was offered in the legislature today.

Manhattan police disclosed that since horse racing came to an end on Jan. 3 more than a dozen men have been arrested in connection with bookmaking on sports events in the Garden.

Led by Dr. Forrest [Phog] Allen, the veteran University of Kansas basketball coach, sports officials asked that something be done quickly to curb gambling.

Ned Irish, acting president of the Garden, and metropolitan athletic heads, took undisclosed steps to curb gambling and protect players from approaches by persons interested in influencing the outcome of games.

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PLAYERS TELL STORY TO JURY IN BRIBE CASE

Call Brooklyn Coach at Night Session.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Jan. 30 [Special].
—The Kings county grand jury met in special session tonight to investigate gambling in intercollegiate basketball and to inquire into charges that two Brooklyn gamblers gave five Brooklyn college players a bribe of \$1,000 to throw the game scheduled against Akron in the Boston Garden tomorrow night. The jurors acted on the earlier demand of Kings County Judge Samuel S. Leibowitz, formerly a noted criminal lawyer and an ardent sports fan.

The five Brooklyn players involved were on hand to testify, and the jurors sent for Coach Maurice [Tubby] Raskin to hear his version of the case.

Drop Players from Team.

Brooklyn college authorities deplored the incident but announced that the team would complete its schedule, with the exception of the Akron game, which was canceled. The five players who confessed they accepted a down payment of \$1,000 on a \$3,000 bribe offered them to throw the Akron game, were dropped from the team. If the confession of the players holds up in court, college officials implied, the boys will be expelled.

The youths are Bob Leder, captain and star of the team; Bernard Barnett, the Kingsmen's second best man; Jerry Green, Stanley Simon, and Larry Pearlstein. All except Pearlstein were starters.

Gambler Denies Charges.

Harvey Stemmer of Brooklyn was held in \$2,500 bail in Brooklyn Felony court for further hearing Feb. 5 on charges of conspiracy and giving a bribe. Stemmer stoutly denied the charges, saying he had given the money "to a friend of a friend so he could bet it on Akron to win." Stemmer pointed out that "Akron was a favorite, anyhow." The authorities had more serious business for Harry Rosen to face and the basketball business had to wait. He was arraigned in Felony court, Manhattan, where he was held in \$25,000 bail for grand jury action on

Wilson Cites Steps Against Gambling Evil

BY EDWARD PRELL.

Northwestern and other schools of the middle west long have been cognizant of the infiltration of gambling elements in college basketball, Kenneth L. [Tug] Wilson, athletic director at the Big Ten university, said last night. And, he declared, all the precautions at their command have been taken to stamp out the evil.

This was his answer when asked his reaction to the Brooklyn college basketball scandal in which five players admitted collusion with gamblers to throw a game.

Wilson, a director of the National Collegiate Athletic association, said this group previously had warned the colleges and universities of the middle west to take every step to prevent dissemination of information to operators of form sheets used in basketball betting pools.

Gets Anonymous Calls.

"Players, coaches, and others concerned have been instructed not to give any facts on games coming up, the condition of the team, or other factors which might reveal inside information," Wilson said. He added that many anonymous calls are received at the Northwestern athletic department obviously for the purpose of obtaining clues which would be valuable in determining proper odds.

Operators of the basketball pools are said to have student representatives or "spotters" on each campus, who furnish up to the minute tips on each team in exchange for a fee.

Wilson said that both Northwestern and De Paul, the mainstays of the Chicago Stadium basketball double header programs, send plain clothes men among the spectators to watch for gambling. During last Saturday's double header in the west side arena police ejected three fans for allegedly betting on the games.

Have Five More at Stadium.

The Wildcats have played two games in the Stadium this season and have five more scheduled there. Two will be played this week against Purdue Friday and Notre Dame Saturday.

Northwestern is playing in the Stadium largely because of the circumstance of being without a home site except Evanston Township High school, which does not have adequate seating capacity to accommodate fans at the more important games. Patten gymnasium, where the team formerly played, was torn down before the war, and the present building has no seating

Phog Allen Wins in Primary

LAWRENCE, Kan., March 8 (AP)

—Dr. F. C. (Phog) Allen, whose University of Kansas basketball teams have won many a contest, is victor in a race of his own. Allen entered his first political contest here and has won Republican nomination as City Councilman. He is unopposed at the general election, April 3.

charges of receiving stolen property.

The charge against Stemmer is based on a section of the New York penal code enacted in 1921 as an aftermath of the "Black Sox" baseball scandal. The section, therefore, refers to professional games.

Doubtful on Law.

Assistant District Attorneys Edward A. Hefernan and Louis G. Andreozzi of Kings county, to whom the five players confessed, admitted they were not sure whether this law could be invoked against persons bribing or conspiring with amateur players. They said they wanted a court ruling on this point.

Both of the prosecutors intimated that steps would be taken to have the legislature amend the law to include all sports if the courts refused to permit the prosecution of Stemmer [and presumably Rosen] under the present code. Both admitted, however, that an adverse ruling in court would provide the accused gamblers with a large loophole.

N.C.A.A. CALLS FOR ACTION

New Orleans, La., Jan. 30 [Special].—Wilbur C. Smith, president of the National Collegiate Athletic association, tonight said that colleges and university administrators must take active steps immediately to stamp out the evils of gambling in its relationship to college athletics.

Pointing out that the college group recently adopted a resolution calling for drying up all sources of special information valuable for form sheets by barring gamblers from the scene of contests and by taking all possible steps designed to discontinue issuance of prediction charts, Dr. Smith said the subject would occupy a "most important place" at the next N. C. A. A. meeting.

"If we can't stop gambling we can at least discontinue what has been a guileless practice on our part of coöperating with the gamblers," said the N. C. A. A. chief and Tulane university athletic director. "Such questions as whether games should be played in any gymnasium or arena not located on the campus of one of the competing institutions should be considered."

The date of the next N. C. A. A. meeting has not been fixed but it probably will be held early in the spring.

accommodations. Northwestern plans to build a fieldhouse near Dyche stadium immediately after the war.

Sbarbaro Not Alarmed.

Judge John A. Sbarbaro who, with Arthur Morse, Chicago attorney, conducts the Stadium basketball double headers, stated that he is not alarmed at anything which has happened in the east.

"We have taken special precautions at every game," he added, "and have uncovered no flagrant violations. If we do we'll drive the offenders out of the place. We want to keep the setup clean. As a member of the De Paul athletic board I feel deeply my responsibility to do this. And I don't think any of our institutions in the middle west need worry about a scandal such as the one in New York."

Scandal in the Colleges

NOW that five Brooklyn College boys have admitted being paid by gamblers to "throw" a basketball game, so that the gamblers could make a killing, all the cover-up artists of amateur sport may be expected to explain that this is just an isolated case.

The fact is that collegiate athletics for many years has been increasingly commercialized if not professionalized, with heavy emphasis on drawing enough gate receipts to pay off the stadium and fieldhouse bonds. When basketball was transformed into a big-time sport, played in metropolitan centers to draw large crowds—and incidentally enriching promoters—it was virtually certain that some youngster would eventually be victimized by the money-hungry fixers and professional sharps always hunting for a sure thing.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen of the University of Kansas weeks ago warned that gambling and fixing of basketball games was taking place, but he was shouted down by loud public denials. Maybe the presidents of colleges and universities will now heed his counsel to set up some system to protect the kids whose competitive skill and stamina bring in the golden gate receipts.

File No.

NAVY SUPPLY CORPS SCHOOL

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

SOLDIERS FIELD, BOSTON, MASS.

9 March 1945

Dear "Doc":

Just a line this evening. I saw the enclosed article in the N. Y. Times today -- Congratulations! I am glad to see your expanded interest in Community affairs, they need someone like you. Lots of luck.

I was sorry to learn that K. U. was unable to win the Big Six Title this spring. However, I can realize the handicap of boys available -- I am confident that your boys played clean, hard, and with the spirit to win -- that is what counts in the end be it the victor or the loser. I trust boys at K. U. will be privileged of playing under your coaching for many years to come.

Things are per usual with me. I am still at the Supply Corps School -- am tied up with the Contract Termination and Surplus Disposal program of training officers. Sea duty or foreign duty look dim, but I still hope to share the hardships with my friends and past students -- I have tried so hard, but one must take orders, must get to work. Sincerely,
Bill Shannon