

March 6, 1946

Mr. Carl I. Winsor
602 Schweter Building
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Sandy:

I am awfully sorry that you came in just at the time I was getting ready to speak to our assembly of basketball players.

I just got back from Springfield, Ohio, this morning. The boys were greatly exercised to learn when we play the Oklahoma Aggies and this was the first meeting I have had with them for several days. Had it not been that I was under such extreme pressure, I would have taken time off to do the job for you.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:MF

March 4, 1946

Hon. Hugo T. Wedell
Justice of the Supreme Court
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Hugo:

I received your letter of the 2nd instant and am sorry that I did not get to talk with you when you were going through Lawrence, but want to thank you for your thoughtfulness in regard to my rest.

I also want to thank you for your congratulations to us and the team for winning the Big Six Championship. Letters such as yours mean a great deal and we appreciate your taking time to write to us.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

FCA:MF

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

HUGO T. WEDELL
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
TOPEKA, KANSAS

March 2, 1946.

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

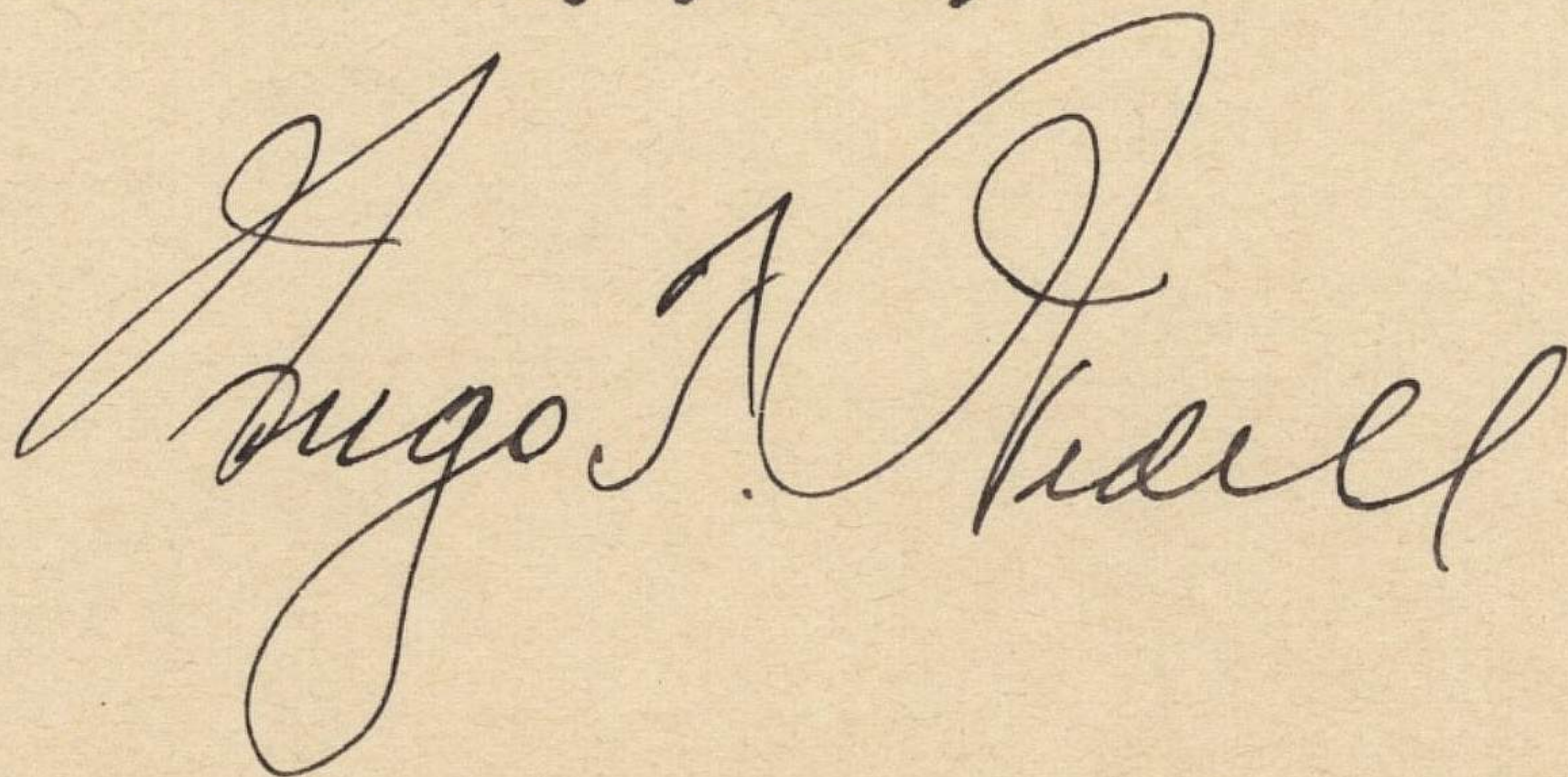
Dear Phog:

I almost yielded to a temptation at 11:00 p.m. last night on my way home from Kansas City to congratulate you on your wonderful victory over Oklahoma.

On second thought it occurred to me that you probably would be welcoming a little undisturbed rest. At any rate, your victory was wonderful and I most sincerely congratulate you.

I will be watching with great interest the matter of your meeting Oklahoma A. & M.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Hugo T. Wedell". The signature is fluid and elegant, with the first name "Hugo" being particularly prominent.

W:K

March 4, 1946

Mr. Oscar Wolf
3290 Sixth Avenue
San Diego 3, California

Dear Oscar:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 1
extending your congratulations to us and the basketball team.
Such letters and communications are highly appreciated and
make our victory an even greater one.

With every good wish to you and Mrs. Wolf, I am

Sincerely,

FCA:MF

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

3290 Sixth Avenue
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March 1, 1946.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
Basketball Coach,
Kansas University,
Lawrence, Kansas.

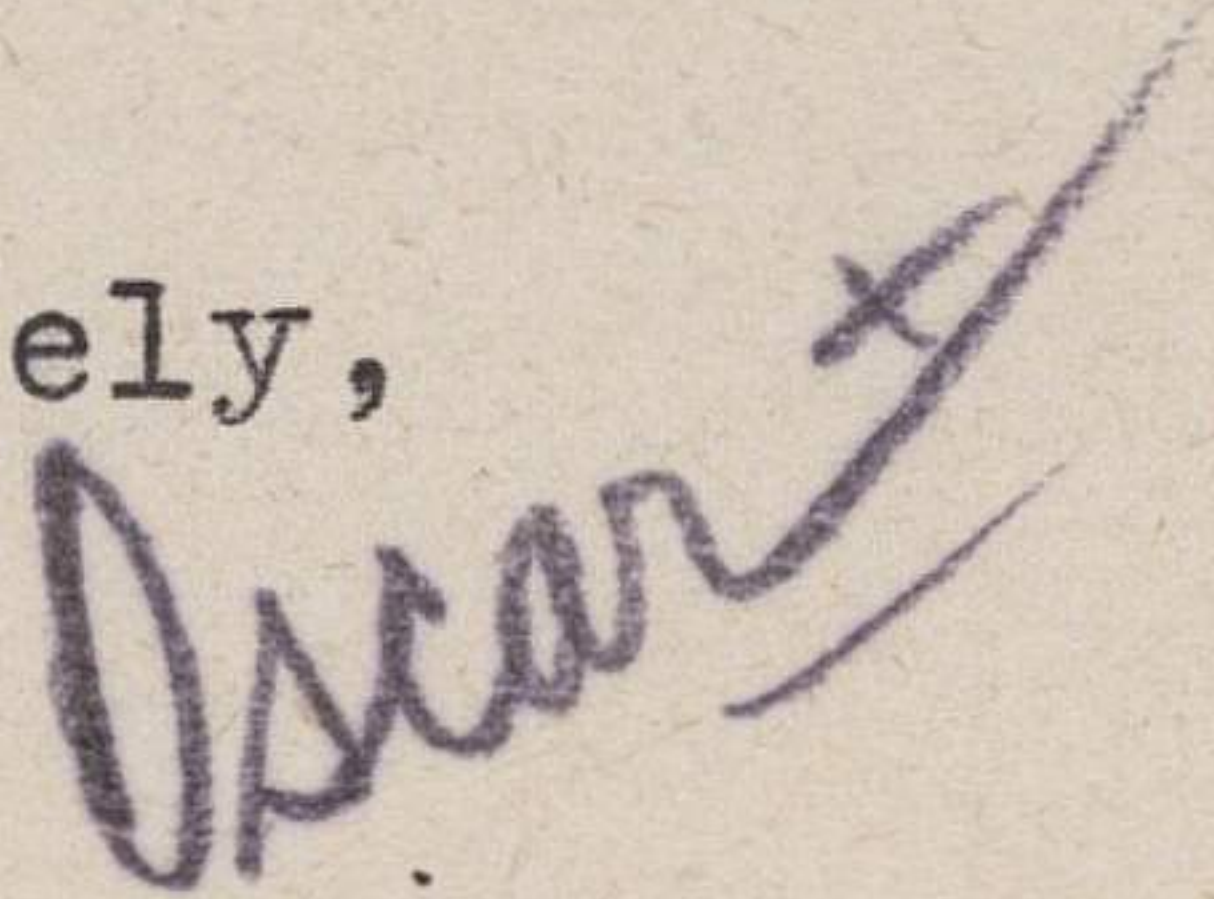
Dear Forrest:--

C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S .

We Jayhawkers out here are made happy again by your champion basketball team. You just keep "rolling along" with your outstanding record. You and Ernie Quigley are doing wonders at K. U. We do hope a good football team can be developed for the splendid list of games scheduled for this fall.

Mrs. Wolf joins in kindest regards to you and Mrs. Allen.

Sincerely,



Oscar Wolf,
3290 Sixth Avenue,
San Diego 3, Calif.

February 27, 1946

Mr. Clifton W. White
324 Cottage Avenue
Anderson, Indiana

Dear Mr. White:

I regret to inform you that at the present time we have no openings in our department of Physical Education.

We will keep your letter on file and if at any time an opening should arise, we would be happy to consider.

Sincerely,

FCA:MF

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

324 Cottage Avenue
Anderson, Indiana
February 20, 1946

Head of Physical Education Department
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

I am very much interested in obtaining a position in physical education in a larger college. At present I am associate professor and head of the physical education department at Anderson College.

I have recently completed work for a doctor of education degree from the School of Physical Education at the University of Oregon.

If you are making any additions to your staff, I should like very much to be considered. You may obtain my credentials from the Placement Bureau of the University of Oregon, or I shall be glad to give you any further information which you may desire.

Yours truly

Clifton W. White

February 27, 1946

Hon. Hugo T. Wedell
Justice of the Supreme Court
Topeka, Kansas

Dear Dutch:

It was swell of you to write as you did concerning our basketball team. We appreciate very much your splendid support. It means a lot to us.

What we did for Mrs. Wedell was a pleasure on our part. We would do it a thousand other times if we had the opportunity.

When the season is over, I will court the offer to have a good long visit with you.

Sincerely,

FCA:MF

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

HUGO T. WEDELL
JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
TOPEKA, KANSAS

February 26, 1946.

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

Dear Phog:

You put on a great exhibition with your boys last night. I want to convey my most genuine compliments to you for another grand championship.

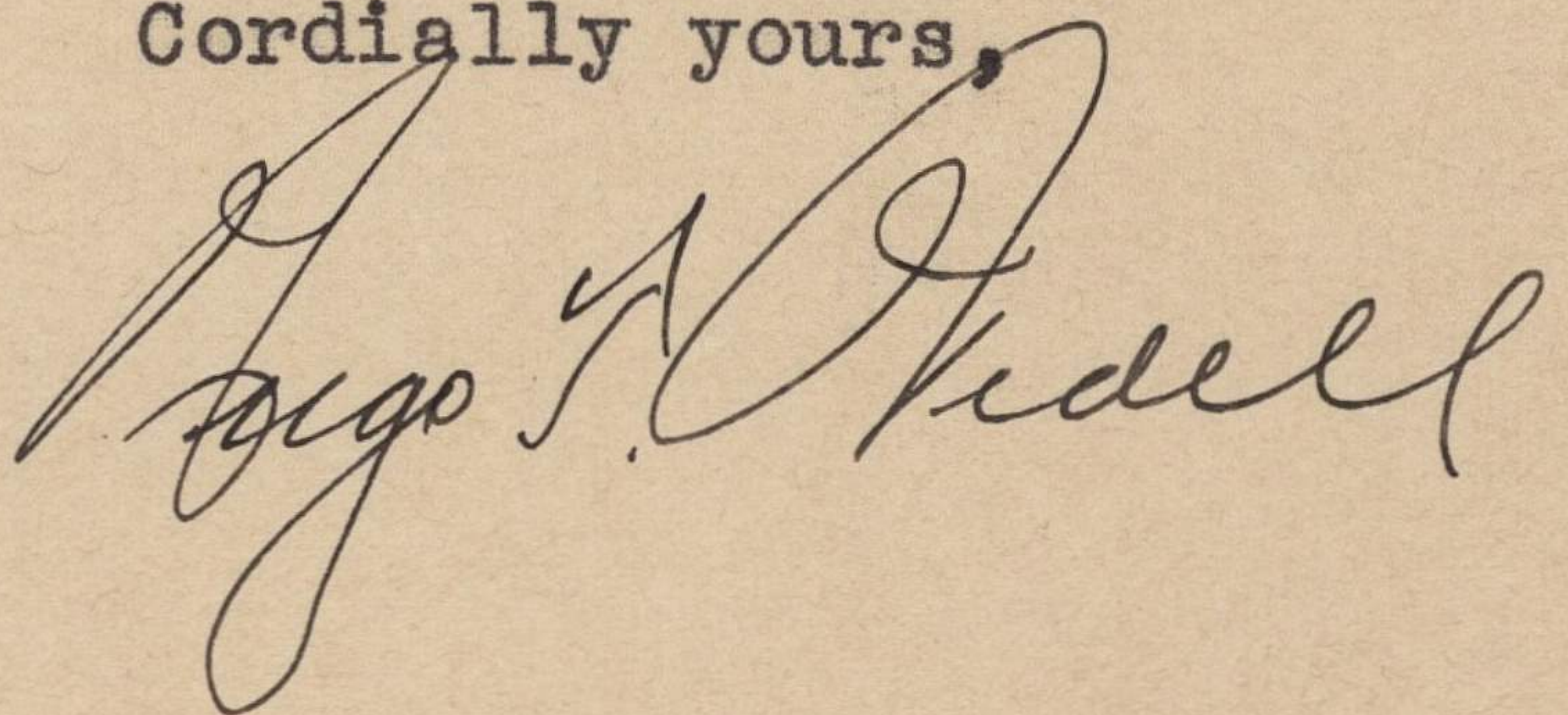
We will all be pulling for you at our house the night you play Oklahoma. I hope you scour their plow.

I want to also thank you for your courtesy to Mrs. Wedell at Lawrence the other day.

When your season is over I should like very much to have a good visit with you concerning a number of matters.

Always with best wishes, I remain

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Hugo T. Wedell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "H" and a long, sweeping underline.

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February 11, 1946

Coach J. A. Walka
Blewett High School
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Coach Walka:

I have just sent you the following telegram:

"Clarence Dunlap took bus for St. Louis this morning without contacting us. We had nice rooming facilities and good environment for him. He told his roommate, one of our players, that he had been out of the Army only two weeks and he desired to go home. Letter follows. Forrest C. Allen."

Clarence worked out with the team and seemed especially pleased with the boys. The boys all liked him and I thought everything was splendid. I cannot understand his reactions.

It might have been he was not out of service long enough, or maybe there was someone else who had offered him some inducement that appealed to him more. I would appreciate your having a talk with him and letting me know just what the difficulty was.

I want you to know that I have appreciated very much your every good deed in helping us. I am hoping that he will reconsider and decide to return. He could reenroll this week or the first part of next week and carry a full load without injuring his academic standing. Classes will not start until the latter part of this week so he could still get in okay.

Thanking you for an early reply, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:MF

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Sent

WESTERN UNION

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Blewett High School
St. Louis, Missouri

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Forrest C. Allen

February 16, 1946

Dean Henry Werner
Student Affairs
228 Frank Strong

Dear Dean Werner:

I have a letter from W. C. Morrow, the Principal of Stohrville Rural High School, regarding the desire of his son, Kenneth, to apply for a Men's Residence Scholarship in one of your academic halls. Since his mother and father were both K.U. graduates, and since his mother, Nee Laura McKay, was a Phi Beta Kappa and his father has a master's degree from the University of Kansas, I would take it that the boy has enough brain matter to do good work in a university. The boy, while a good athlete, is on the honor roll of his school.

Naturally, I will appreciate any consideration given this young man, who has an excellent K.U. background.

Sincerely,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:MF

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January 22, 1946

Mr. J. C. Witter, Superintendent
Fowler Public Schools
Fowler, Kansas

Dear Mr. Witter:

I am enclosing our basketball schedule, in response to your request of January 21. The games are called at seven-thirty o'clock.

Mr. Earl Falkenstein, the Financial Secretary of the Athletic Association, takes care of all reservations. There is a special price to high school students, but the seats are in a high balcony. I am sending a carbon copy of your letter to Mr. Falkenstein and I will ask him that he write you concerning the details. I assure you we will be very happy to have your senior class visit here at our University of Kansas.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:MF

Enc.

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FOWLER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

FOWLER, KANSAS

J. C. WITTER, SUP'T.

January 21, 1946

Dr. Forrest Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

Our senior class would like to take a trip, and we have been thinking some of going to the University of Kansas to see a basketball game and look over the university. Would you please send us a basketball schedule and tell us what would be the best time to bring them?

Sincerely,


J. C. Witter, Sup't.

JCW:li

January 19, 1946

Mr. Paul G. Wurtz
P. O. Box 66
Paxico, Kansas

Dear Coach Wurtz:

Answering your recent communication, I am happy to answer your query.

I agree with you, sir, that the boy should not sit or lie on the floor. If they sit, the abdomen muscles are cramped and there is interference in breathing due to a cramping of the diaphragm. If they lie down, they are subject to drafts on the cold floor. If they lie on their abdomen, there is a stretching of the neck muscles of the upper thoracic area, which does not permit free breathing. If they lie on their back, the blood rushes to their head, unless they prop their head up somewhat. I do not permit them to stand, but have them rest on one knee, with an arm on the bended knee, which rests the entire body and permits free breathing. By having one knee on the floor and the foot of the other leg in the bended-knee position it is an easy matter to rest the muscular structure because the bony framework, which supports the body, is resting firmly on the floor.

I can appreciate your motive in not permitting the boys to lie down because many of them have an emotional tendency and they "flop" on the floor as if they are ready to pass out. This leads to the detriment of the whole teams' emotions and the lesser of the two evils, I would say, would be in the standing position.

Henry Iba has all of his men lie flat on their abdomens with their heads facing into each other as a five-point star, which looks pretty, but it is a poor position for a hard breathing athlete. I have my men on one knee, either knee, and facing each other. The idea is to rest the framework of the boy and still develop the militancy of an aggressive, up and coming fellow.

I trust this gives you the desired information.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:MF

Paxico Rural High School

DIST. NO. 1, WABAUNSEE COUNTY

Paxico, Kansas

J. E. CRAWFORD, PRINCIPAL

1/17/46.

Dr. Forrest (Phog.) Allen
Kansas U.
Lawrence, Kansas:

Dear Dr. Allen:

I know you are quite busy, but I trust that you can find time to answer my one query. During a time out period in a basketball game I ask (tell) my players not to sit or lie on the floor, but rather to stay on their feet - preferably standing around in a circle. I have followed this practice for some time, but recently I have been criticized for (this practice) it.

As one of the outstanding coaches of and authorities on basketball, will you please tell me what you do in this respect; what is the common practice or recommendation by the majority of coaches and trainers? I contend that players are likely to become stiff by sitting or stretching out on the court floor.

Sincerely yours,

Paul S. Hurdy
Ath. Coach.

Enc: Stamped Envelope.

W. S. Winey, Jr.
1723 4th Ave.
San Diego, Calif.

27th December, 1945
San Diego, Calif.

My friend Dr. F. C. Allen^P

For all
the devoted goodness and highly
instructive fellowship which
was so tirelessly channeled into
the eager audience of PhM/c
Bill Winey Jr., Mr. W. S. Winey Jr.,
herewith submits his final
estimation of gratitude.

Sincerely,

— "Winey" —

December 19, 1945

Mr. Chalmer Woodard
Lawrence Memorial High School
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Woody:

I am happy to write this testimonial in your behalf because I sincerely feel that you deserve it. I hope you get this job if you want it.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:MF

Enc.

December 14, 1945

Mr. Cox, Manager
Western Union
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Coxie:

In reply to our follow-up on the message sent to Otto O. Schnellbacher at Hondo, Texas, your report is as follows:

"Schnellbacher has left the city. Present address unknown. Western Union at Hondo, Texas, cancelled the message and filed it."

I am in receipt of a letter from Otto O. Schnellbacher dated December 11, 1945, Officers Mess, AAFES, Hondo, Texas, in which he says,

"I am a week late getting out of the army. I start discharging the 14th of Dec, so should be in Lawrence around the 17th. I was suppose to get out the 6th of Dec. but they couldn't handle all of us at the seperation center. Being an "S" in the alphabet, I waited a week."

It looks as if Mr. Schnellbacher was still in Hondo, Texas, when this information was given to Western Union.

Schnellbacher will be here, as you see, on the 17th and I am still going to find out why the message was not delivered. It looks as if your Western Union at Hondo, Texas, is without the proper information, or perhaps the proper initiative. Do you reckon some of our Western Union people may inform us that we have had a war?

Sincerely,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:MF

12-14-45

Dr. Allen,

Western Union called to report on the wire you sent to Schnellbacher.

Schnellbacher has left the city. Present address unknown. Western Union at Hando, Texas, cancelled the message and filed it.

M. French

12-14-45

Dr. Allen,

Mr. Faris called this morning while you were out and would like for you to call him at 22.

M. French

December 14, 1945

Mr. Clint Webber
P. O. Box 232
Arkansas City, Kansas

Dear Clint:

I am sorry that I have failed to answer your good letter of November 10. Some how it got mixed up in a mass of my correspondence and I have overlooked it.

We have a good many boys here who have been discharged from the service and we have been finding work for them. I think you will have no difficulty at all.

Your eligibility will be affected not one whit by your previous experience at Rockhurst. You will have four years of competition even beginning next fall. You did not say what you expect to major in. If you will write me, or write Dr. Leonard Axe who is in charge of veterans' affairs at the University of Kansas, I am sure I will be able to give you fulsome information.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:MF

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Box 232
Arkansas City, Kansas
Nov. 10, 1945.

Dear Mr. Allen:

Like many other people I am now out of the army and want to return to college. However I have a wife and baby and I realize it will be very difficult to make it, but I am willing to work hard.

I have the \$75 a month from the government to go to school, but I need another job. At most schools now, living space is limited and with my family that is another problem.

I played high school football and basketball at Arkansas City, Kansas and the coach here, Mr. Micholson, said I should give his name as reference. My senior year was at Westport High School in Kansas City, Mo. Reference there are the coaches, Mr. G.V. Bourrettee and Mr. Gayle Chubb.

I just turned 21 last September. I am 5' 11" and weigh 195 lbs. Which is about 10 pounds too heavy, but I will lose it.

I lettered in basketball at Rockhurst College in Kansas City, Mo. I played only three or four games after the semester before going to the army. So I am still a freshman. Mr. Nicholson spoke of some war ruling by which I may have used only one semester's eligibility. He was not certain of this, however.

I played both forward and guard positions, but most of the time I played forward.

I believe I've gotten the entire situation down now. If you could use me or have any suggestions I'd appreciate them.

Sincerely,

Clint Webber

December 10, 1945

Air Mail

Mr. Harry E. Westlake
Downtown Athletic Club
19 West Street
New York 4, New York

Dear Mr. Westlake:

Dr. Allen regrets that he will be unable to
attend the 11th Annual Heisman Trophy Award Ceremony
and dinner December 11, 1945.

His name is Dr. Forrest "Phog" C. Allen, not
Mr. Paul G. Allen.

Sincerely,

MF

Secretary to Dr. Allen



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December 4, 1945

HEISMAN TROPHY PRESENTATION CEREMONIES POSTPONED

It has been necessary to postpone the 11th Annual Heisman Trophy Award Ceremony and dinner at the Downtown Athletic Club scheduled for Tuesday evening, December 11, 1945, due to the conflict with examinations at West Point which prevents the winner, Felix (Doc) Blanchard, from being present at the Club.

The Heisman Trophy Committee regret very deeply that this postponement is necessary. A special committee conferred with General Taylor at West Point today and it has been arranged that the award ceremonies will be held at the Club on Saturday evening, January 5, 1946.

President Wottrich has asked me to advise you of the change in date to January 5, 1946 and to express the hope that you will be our guests on that occasion. The committee is proceeding with its original program and more than 800 reservations indicate that this will be one of the most successful Heisman parties. Please indicate on the enclosed return post card that we may count on your acceptance.

Sincerely yours,

Harry E. Westlake

Harry E. Westlake,
General Chairman.

HEW:mk
Enc.