

Mr Allen: Pardon for this letter
to you is because of reading your
article about de-emphasizing Basketball
and Football. I think you are
hitting upon a good subject
which surely needs to be looked
into. What brings this to my
attention is the fact that this
week end you are going to have
in your part of the country the
U of Wisconsin basketball team
which I believe is a good
example of what you speak
about. There is now one man on
team "Coty" and another man, now
ineligible, who are victims of
this high power salaried
to get them into the U.S. to play
Basketball. I know both of these
boys well, and they surely have
no place going to school the way
they were persuaded to so that
I have of being pros of U.S.
They both were teammates on
their state Champ H.S. Team and

both cracker sack players as
you can see by (coty) due to
town spirit and confidential
ballyhos by O & W coach etc
they enrolled at U. — Both
come from families hard pressed.
Lemhuis has a widowed mother
(lost 3-4 years) and couple of bro +
sister no income for family except
a modest pension. Coty's family
not much better, has a brother
about to be drafted, and hear
if he is, Coty will have to leave
school to help support rest.
Both finished school without
a nickel, and with a few
donations etc from local
people and promise of more
at U. they started out.

Lemhuis wanted a engineering
course, he started that, Coty
took easier one, O & W Ed. Both
roomed together. Lemhuis honor
student here in H.S. Coty got by.

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They made ~~grade~~ as freshmen,
this year Lunkhiser got hooked
in organic chemistry, lost to
team, feels disappointed, wants to
give it up. Coach persuaded
him to take Phys. Ed. He had to
work hard, study hard and help
keep Kotz in, (Roomed together)
Wrote letters for him etc., Kotz also
has to work etc. This may be
allright to work etc, but still that
~~is~~ too much and ~~and~~ try to keep
up other ends also. am afraid
result will be Both will be out
in cold, due to these things above.
If Lunkhiser quits, Kotz surely will
have to, because I hear he
cant get along with out Lunkhiser.

What I am trying to get to you
is this, getting these kids down
then to the Univ of W. the way they
do, without any support from
home whatever and trying to get
by then is too much for them.
They get a little glory out of it

~~to~~ ^{while} in team, but think of
what is going on back here
and if they do not make the
grade, at U. and lose all
this time + 2-3 years education
it is going to be quite a blow to
some people here + to them.

I think like you, there's too much
emphasis on this stuff, the
U of W is bidding high now, and
coach is getting big too. But what
satisfaction is it, if these kids
+ their families have to struggle the
way they do, ~~to~~ to get them an
education and give the U banner
all this glory + financial reward.
Bigger crowds now at basket ball
than at foot ball. ~~and~~ and making
plenty of dough at whose expense?

If ~~they~~ these boys could
go thru school without working and
just stick to sports + study it would
be different. Lemmer could not keep
up ~~with~~ work, study, + basket ball, result
flunked. (Hard subject) which he really
dreamed of wanting to finish and he
probably could if time to study it was

Houston Tex Jan 24-41

Dear Du Allen

I wrote you some
time ago about Maj
Allen, and I was very
anxious to see what you
had to say.

I know you are a
very busy man. but
will you let me know
if the card was your
brothers writing. he was
a low. fleshy man and
was around 65. I believe
he said so dont suppose
he is the same. I mean
no name only a woman

Curiosity. Would thank
 you if you will either
 write me or have him
 I want to thank him
 for a favor he did us
 too.

Thanks for answering
 when you have time

Sincerely

Jed Wilson
 4506 Leffingwell

Houston

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Mr. Frog Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence,
Kansas.

he should. So I think, come out with
it. Either pay or hire them to play
so they can go thru school way they
should, or let them wait until
they can, etc, without dragging them
down thru dear old Wis. - by
different methods, as now used :

January 24, 1941

Mrs. Hazel Pratt Wood
1831 Evergreen Avenue
Alton, Illinois

My dear Mrs. Wood:

Gee, how time flies. To think that you have a son, Edward, who will be ready for college in the fall. And I remember so distinctly when he was born, but it certainly does not seem that long ago. Congratulations to all three of you.

Yes indeed, I will be very happy to send you a schedule of the Kansas Basketball Team and I trust that you can come for any one of the three remaining conferences games at home. We play Nebraska on February 10; Kansas State on February 25; and Oklahoma on March 7. We also play Oklahoma A. & M. on March 11. So you write us and let me know when you, Walter and Edward can come and we will make very definite arrangements to have you as our guests at the game.

I imagine Walter will be running Edward Sig. Alp. and when I find out what date you are coming I will tell all the Sig. Alp's to rally round. And too, I am wondering if you recall any of your associates that you want to look up when you were teaching here at the University.

Thank you for your very kind words regarding Bob. He has been a great source of pleasure to us as it seems have all of our children. Eleanor is the baby, although she does not like to be called that. She is a sophomore in the University. We certainly want you to meet our family and after the game we want you down at the house, of course.

We are asking the Registrar's office to send you our school catalogs so all of you can glance through them. On page 33 of the catalog issue No. 1 is information concerning scholarships. George O. Foster is still Registrar of the University, but Mr. James K. Hitt will take over after the first of September. His address is 124 Frank Strong Hall. When you get the catalog this will give you full information regarding the LaVerne Noyes scholarships. I trust Edward is successful in obtaining one.

Mrs. Allen is fine except for the fact that when we returned from New York she was greeted by the results of an explosion from the new oil-o-matic which we put in in the fall. This had happened a few days before we got home and the house was covered with that oil smudge from basement to garret. So we have been undergoing house cleaning from every angle of paperhanging, painting, clothes cleaning, drapery rejuvenation, and everything else you can think of that the smudge hit. We are beginning to finally get out of the woods now, or should I say out of the smudge, so the clouds have a brighter lining for all of us.

We will be eagerly awaiting the news as to the exact date of your coming.

With my kindest regards to Walter and to Edward, whom I have not seen, and to you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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1831 Evergreen Ave.

Alton, Illinois

January 21, 41

Dear Dr. Allen:-

Would you please send us a schedule of the balance of K. U.'s basketball games at home? Edward, our son, will be ready for college in the fall and we want to come out and see a game. We are hoping that he will like Kansas. He is eligible for a Noyes scholarship and would like information concerning it. So if it isn't too much trouble would you please have the office send us a catalogue?

We eagerly read all K. U. news and are very happy over the basketball team. It must be a great pleasure to have a son like Bob. All of us are most anxious to see the team in action, so we're coming out - we hope.

The best of wishes to you and Mrs. Allen from all. Cordially yours

Hazel Pratt Wood

January 31, 1941

Mr. Bob White
188 Allen Ave.
Jackson, Tenn.

Dear Mr. White:

I have your good letter of the 28th instant, and I am sending you our pamphlet on physical education. This is for the 120-hour baccalaureate degree. From what college did you graduate? We offer a master's degree in education with a major in physical education. You could take your master's degree here if you would be interested.

You asked for information on basketball. Would you mean printed matter, or were you desiring to know something about Dr. Naismith, who came here in 1898 and was on the faculty until his death a year ago last November 28th.

If you desire basketball publications, may I state that I wrote "My Basketball Bible" in 1923. The same had a circulation of 15,000 copies. Two years ago I wrote "Better Basketball," published by McGraw-Hill Book Company. This text contains 163 action photographs and 86 diagrams of plays, together with information on training, conditioning, treatment of athletic injuries, bandaging, emergencies, and so forth. If you desire to obtain a copy of this book, please send me a money order in the amount of four dollars, and I will be glad to autograph a copy and send it to you.

If there is anything further that we can do for you, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

188 Allen Ave.
Jackson, Tenn.
Jan. 28, 1941.

Dr. "Phog" Allen
Univ. of Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I have played college, amateur, and semi-pro basketball for some time and coach high school. My ambition is to be athletic director and basketball coach at some college. I would like your advice as to where would be the best graduate school in physical education to obtain a Masters' degree, considering that I am especially interested in basketball.

If you will be so kind as to give me a little attention, I would certainly appreciate it.

Sincerely yours,

Bob White

P.S. - I would be grateful for anything on basketball you could send along.

January 31, 1941

Mr. Richard S. Wyler
Richard S. Wyler & Co.
1440 Dierks Building
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Wyler:

It was good to hear from you in your letter of the 29th instant. I want to assure you that I was just curious and, in my writing, I was only seeking information, and I thank you for sending it to me so promptly.

Since I have nothing to do with the administration of the Athletic Association, I am turning your letter over to Mr. Earl Falkenstein for his inspection. I assure you that I have already advised him that I would be very happy to cooperate to the fullest extent with the administration in keeping records straight and in compatibility with the desires of my superiors.

With all good wishes and assuring you that, if and when I am in Kansas City I will certainly stop in to see you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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cc: *Earl Falkenstein*

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

Mr. Carlson has turned over to me your letter of January 28 in regard to traveling expenses.

By referring to our original system report I notice that we suggested on page 4 that "Traveling expenses should be reported in detail in suitable traveling expense books, procurable from any stationery house". Our correspondence of prior years has been destroyed and it is of course impossible for me to know what other recommendations were made, if any. In any event, what has happened is water over the dam and I think it would be best to have a uniform procedure and to report expenses in detail, and wherever possible to support them by receipts and bills, in accordance with Mr. Carlson's suggestion of September, 1940.

It has been a long time since I have seen you and I hope you will drop in the office some time when you are in Kansas City.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Richard S. Wyler

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February 1, 1941

Mr. Carter L. Williams

Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Brother Williams:

I regret that the Founders Day Banquet at the University Club comes on the date that we are to play the University of Missouri Tigers at Columbia, that is, February 21. I am frank in saying that I would feel much more comfortable sitting at a festive board with brother Phi Psi's than I will when I am trembling on the restive board with Tigers at Columbia.

Regretting that I am unable to be present with you good brothers, I am,

Fraternally yours,

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Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

February 4, 1941

Mr. Dix Edwards
Edwards, Ludwig & Fuller
1115 Walnut Street
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Dix:

Somehow or other I have misplaced
Carter Williams' address and I would appreciate
it if you would send the enclosed letter to him.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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February 7, 1941

Mr. Rex Woods
Sports Editor
The Arkansas City Daily Traveler
Arkansas City, Kansas

Dear Rex:

I will be very happy to contact Horace Mason, our sports publicity director, and see that he digs up any and all matters regarding Howard Engleman so that he can send them to you right away.

I am glad to know about the Engleman Special.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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February 6, 1941

Forrest C. Allen,
Lawrence,
Kansas.

Dear "Phog":

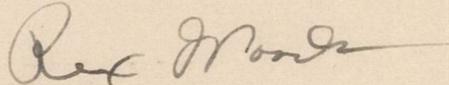
Would it be too much trouble for the athletic department to dig up all of the old mats they have of Howard Engleman and ship them down here. We have exhausted our supply.

By next week we hope to have a special train chartered for the Stillwater game. See you then.---I'ts the Engleman Special.

Give my regards to Ed Elbel--if he is still on the hill.

With best wishes for a successful season.

Yours,



Rex Woods
Sports Editor

February 7, 1941

Dr. E.R. Elbel
Robinson Gym.
University of Kansas

Dear Dr. Elbel:

I have received a letter from Rex Woods,
Sports Editor of the Arkansas City Daily Traveler,
in which he says:

"Give my regards to Ed Elbel---if
he is still on the hill."

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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February 8, 1941

Mr. James H. Watts
80 Broadway, Room 1830
New York City

Dear Mr. Watts:

Answering your communication of the 6th instant I beg to state that we bought these pads from Milton Kelly, the Trainer at the University of Texas. They are called the Kelly DeLuxe Knee Pad.

Milton Kelly was formerly the trainer at the University of Kansas where we aided him in making his first knee pad.

If you will address him at the Athletic Department, University of Texas, Austin, Texas, I am sure that you will be able to procure them. The pads are \$2.00 a pair wholesale.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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February 6th, 1941

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

I am taking this opportunity of writing to you in an effort to try to locate a sporting supply company where I might be able to purchase a pair of knee guards such as those used by most of your players. These guards looked to me as if they were covered with sheepskin. The writer would be gratefull if you could possibly him in this matter.

Thanking you for any information you can give me in this matter and with good luck to you and your squad, I remain

JHW:J

James H. Watts
80 Broadway, Room 1830
New York City

February 22, 1941

Mr. W. B. Wilson
Chairman of Athletic Committee
Ottawa University
Ottawa, Kansas

Dear Professor Wilson:

In answer to your very good letter of the 14th instant concerning the attitude of the Big Six Conference to the A. A. U. and Ban Johnson teams which compete with our University squad, I beg to state that we are not permitted to schedule games with any athletic institution except schools giving Baccalaureate degrees with 120 hour requirements. We are not permitted to play Haskell or any junior college or anyone below our academic rank.

Doubtless the Big Six will make a rule similar to the one that the Big Ten has made and permit us to schedule games with army and navy athletic teams as was done in the last war. As yet the Big Six has not taken this step.

You are exactly right, but while they are not professional, they do not harmonize with our athletic set-up.

Here is our ruling, Professor Wilson. When an athlete is in school, he is not permitted to play in any outside competition during his enrollment in the institution even though he is not at that time competing on an athletic team. May I state it in another way? Ralph Miller who is now in school is not competing on any of our varsity teams, but if during the year that he is enrolled he would participate in any A. A. U. or outside team, he would be barred from further competition at the University.

Many of our schools do not have jurisdiction over their athletes when they are not enrolled in the school. But during the time that they are enrolled they are permitted to participate on no other team regardless of their athletic participation in this school.

Now regarding summer baseball. If any athletes desire to play summer baseball, it is necessary for them to secure permission from our faculty representative. They will state where they are to play and that they are not receiving monetary consideration from any organized baseball association. Of course, they could play with town teams and with the so-called industrial leagues. These are not frowned upon. This rule provides a way to keep track of the boys and see that they are not signed up with organized baseball play under an assumed name.

Mr. W. B. Wilson

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February 22, 1941

While the boys are not in school they may play on any A. A. U. or Ban Johnson teams because the school has no right to say what they shall do while they are not students. However, between summer terms, they feel that they do have the right.

I trust that I have given you the information that you desire, but if it does not cover the subject, I will be happy to hear from you. Thank you for your kind words, and I assure you that it would be a pleasure to cooperate with you at any time. I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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February 25, 1941

Mr. Joe Weber
Perry, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Weber:

I want to thank you very much for your kindness and hospitality to our basketball team while we were in your city enroute to Stillwater, where we played the Oklahoma Aggies on February 17.

It was very generous of you to do all the nice things for us and we are very grateful to you.

Thank you very very much.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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February 25, 1941

Mr. Marsh B. Woodward
Perry, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Woodward:

It was swell of you and the other boys in Perry to entertain us and we greatly appreciate it. Although I am rather belated in my thanks to you, I am none the less grateful. We certainly will never pass up Perry in favor of Enid.

If you or any of the boys ever come through Lawrence, bring along your golf clubs, and we will hit that guttapercha ball. Also, if we come to Stillwater next year and the weather looks favorable, I will bring the golf clubs along.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

Report #

4504 Adams
Kansas City, Mo.
Feb. 26, 1941

Dear Mr. Allen—

I thought you might be interested in knowing the developments that's taken place. I followed Tom V. P. Sr.'s advice and waited for Capt. J. L. to call me in. J. L. did so last Mon. Mr. Wellenmeyer had talked to the old maid and the situation had really gotten bad. Of course, Schlagle stood pat for the old gal even after I told him my side of the deal. The result was that I was transferred to the Northwest Junior High school to bide my time. I now am gen. flunky no. 1. I substitute, do office work, keep home room etc. Utility girl. All Schlagle did was to look down his nose a couple of times.

I'll admit this place is far pleasanter. At least, I'm spoken to as a human being. Enough of this —

I see that you nearly have another crown
to hang up in your favor. I'm glad I can
say I know a winner, anyway. Yesterday
I showed your basketball picture - made by
your 5 horseman that tried for the Olympics -
to about 60 freshmen boys. I really enjoyed
telling them all about it.

Not too much news. I've been expecting my
big brother thru for the past two weeks. He
purchased himself a new Cadillac and has
promised me his old Lincoln. I've really been
anxiously awaiting his arrival.

This isn't supposed to be told but my
kid sister, Helen, was married Jan. 25.
She married Joe M.C. there from Lawrence.
She wrote & told me but said nothing
about it being a secret. I in turn wrote
home to the folks and immediately I
knew I had let the cat out of the bag.

I went to a party awhile back
and saw Nelson Sullivan. I understood

him to say he was working with Phillip 66
and going on to school, too. He had a nice long
chat, anyway. x

Some church called me up the other
nite to solicit me for their basketball team. x
I told them I'd drop by tonite. I anticipate
a big evening. x I'd probably be dropping
litter & you for the next day or so because
of my Charley-horses. x

Must close & get to work. x Extend my
"hello" to Webster, etc. x I may drop up to
Lawrence after the weather breaks. It's been
snowing for the past two days. x

Until later — thanks for all your
kindness & everything. x

Best regards,

Thas J. Hardy

P.S. We're not low on paper. x
This was just a mistake on
my part.