I will be glad to see you in Madison Square when we play Fordham on the 28th. Just come up after the game and make yourself acquainted.

No, I don't think you are forward at all. We are both in the same type of work and it will be a pleasure to see you.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation Versity Basketball Coach

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Thi Kpsilon Kappa Eta Chapter STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE TRENTON, N. J.

Friday December 6, 1940

Den Dr. allen,

There are probably a great number of allens en our country but up to now you probably en our country but up. Thought you were the only Phog allen. However, thought you were the only Phog allen on me, and I that nickersame has fallen on me, and I that nickersame has fallen on me, and I have taken it upon myself to try and find out just how you did get your nickname. I am a physical education student, and a member of the varsity basketball team, am a junior now, but ever since I made the variety in my freshmen year the name of "Phog bas been penned on me. Is there any basis for this monikes of yours, which has since descended on me. If so, I wonder if you would be so kind as to let me know just how it came about. Go not get the idea that I resent being called Phog, on the contrary I consider it an homor to have the same

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name, av such a name as "Phog" allen is known is backettale circles throughout the country. However, my curiosity has finally gover the better of me, and if you find time I wish you would write and tell me just what Phog means. Ever since I was in grade school, I have been interested in basketball and I have always wanted to coach the sport. I have seen your movie on backetball, and have read your books; now that your tean is coming east I intend to see your game with fordham University on Dec 28. at madison Square Garden. Quealige you well be busy when you come to new Jorles. and perhaps you think I'm rather foward, but I wonder of I could see you personsely when you do get here. It would certainly be a threll for me to talk basketball offenses be and defenses with you. Sincerely, Sincerely, Franks Phy allen

February 12, 1941 The Association Press 347 Madison Avenue New York City Gentlemen: I beg to acknowledge receipt of Basketball by James Maismith, with an introduction by Clair Bee. I have enjoyed hastily perusing this fine text and historical study of the game by its inventor. I am sending you a short review of the book, any part of which you may use to further its sale. Very cordially yours, Director of Physical Education and Recreation Varsity Basketball Coach FCA:1g Ence

Whether or not it is at Grover's Corners or at Bennie's Corners the comedy-drama of youth goes on. It happened to be at Bennie's Corners where the young boy Naismith found that necessity was really the mother of invention.

Dr. Naismith's 189-page book, Basketball, is an entertaining historical story of the game. To all lovers of basketball it should furnish a happy and a profitable evening's entertainment.

It is more than this. It is a charming though modest autobiography of a modest man, told with a unique naivete which sprang from the soul of the narrator.

One June day in 1926 I sat with Dr. Naismith under a spreading Canadian Maple at Bennie's Corners in Almonte, Canada. Here I met Uncle Peter who reared young Naismith. I even saw the casket which Uncle Peter, after the fashion of Canada's frugal pioneers in their northern woods, had skillfully built and polished so that it would be in readiness for the time which would inevitably overtake him. Of late, Uncle Peter had taken to sleeping in his casket—perhaps to get accustomed to it.

It was a rare privilege to find Dr. Naismith at the source of his nativity.

A man who could claim that group of contemporaries for friends could not have been an ordinary man: Robert Tait McKenzie, Dr. Luther Gulick, his classmates, Amos Alonzo Stagg and a host of others. From them, as well as from his genteel origins, he learned the manners of a gentleman and the glories of unselfish achievement.

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M. Arnett

Jeweler and Matchmaker
Out Glass, Silver, China, Jewelry
Longview, Mashington
April I4 I94 I

Dr. Forest C. Allen, Lawrence, Kansas. Dear Phog:

I have just found the Sat. Evening Post article of Dec. 28th writen by HOWARD TURTLE and motice some mistakes in dates. To recall some of the early history for you. The fall of 1905, I was president of the student council and Dr. Parmenter was the Fact/Aty advisor and we were needing a coach for what we thought was a better team than should be coached by the Gym instructor so Dr. Parmenter and myself were instructed to find a coach, we first went to Haskell to see one of the boys there but he wasent to be found and some one suggested that we go to Kansas City and get a fellow by name of Franz who was playing base ball with the Blues, so we went to Kansas City and located a lawyer brother of Franz and he said his brother was visiting with another brother in Oklahoma who was Gov. at that time he also said that he dident think his brother was the man we wanted any way and he suggested that we go to Independence and look up a young fellow by the name of Phog Allen who was playing with the Kansas City Atheletic Club and if we could talk him into our plans he would be our best bet. Te found you as I remember just before lunch in the grocery store and we went to lunch together and had a good steak and put the proposition up to you and you agreed to come up to Baker two mights a week, that was the fall of '05 and them in the fall of '06 you came up and stayed all season. I payed under you during two seasons years of '05,'06 and '06,'07 them I left school but think youn stayed another year or so am not sure of how long. Any way this is how it started in the fall of '05. Naturally I have always followed your career with a good bit of interest possibly more so than any one else since I was one of the two who got you started. You have had a wonderful career and see no re som why it wont continue for some time to come at least I hope so. Suppose you saw the play offs this year we were especially interested on account of the Wash. State Team and then one of our own town boys was high man, Kirk Gebert, I have known him for 18 years, His father is our Preacher here in the Community Church and we are close friends. Kirk came over and spent the evening with us and told about their games, then last Thursday we had his coach come over and the town gave them a dinner in his Honor as well as a present. I have often lived over our good times together and will always remember the old team and our good coach, I don't remember the subs we had so well but will never forget the regular five as you remember we used the first five all the way most of The time those days and the team was, MASON. SAMPLE. PRESTON. HOOVER and myself them Cub Branard and Winthro was our best subs no doubt we had others but dont remember them as you will remail that was a long time ago and lots of water has gone under the bridge since. This is a rambling letter and may take up to much of your time but I did want to get the record straight as to your dates of starting to coach and my best wishes are always with you and want to congratulate you on your wonderful record and I know it will always be a good influence on the game of Basket Ball, so good linck to you and here is hoping you will turn out many more championship teams in the years to come. Mrs. Arnett was JESSIE ARMSTRONG, and she joins me in wishing for you and yours continued happiness and success in all things.

Tan rat sine I shelled. Frang name right it might have been with

Mr. W. P. Arnett Jeweler and Matchmaker Longview, Washington

Dear Mr. Arnett:

I greatly appreciated your fine letter as of April 14th, but your letter along with my other fine letters was mislaid in a delayed correspondence file, due to the fact that I took on baseball coaching after my basketball season and that together with speeches in the Grapefruit and Lettuce League as well as Commencement Addresses, kept me busy forty two consecutive evenings. I did not answer your letter because I did not want to, but simply because it was a physical impossibility.

Yes, I do now remember very clearly how you and Dr. Parmenter came to Independence, Missouri, and how we went together to the restaurant and had a fine steak and a fine visit. If I ever get out on the West Coast again, I'll make it a point to look you up and have a fine visit with you in Longview.

Yes I did see Washington State Team in action and I thought it a superlative team. I think the mistake that was made was to keep those Washington State boys in Kansas City, Missouri for the week prior to their game with Wisconsin. Had it been possible to have taken the boys to Manhattan, Kansas, or to the University of Kansas and had the boys stay on the campus and practice in the gym, then I frankly believe that the student body of any school would have liked to have adopted them as their own.

In that event, Washington State would have been refreshed and not been worn out as they were by staying a week in Kansas City away from college campus with strange and I fear not all together wholesome environment.

I was thrilled at the exhibition put up by Kirk Gebert. He was a great player and would make any College or University proud. Extend congratulations to his father and to him for me.

Now, back to the old Baker bunch. I haven't seen "Si"

Mason for sometime. He formerly worked in a bank in Kansas

City as bookkeeper. Sample is in Cleveland, Ohio. I received
a Christmas card from him but it carried no address. Someone
told me where Preston was but I can't think of it at the moment.

Hoover is down around Wichita or Oklahoma. Cub Branard is in
the pipe line supply business either in Dallas or Fort Worth;
doing splendidly. I do not know where Winthro is.

Mr. W. F. Arnett Page Two

Thank you, Wilbur, for your kind wishes. I was always very fond of you and it's a great pleasure to hear from you. Yes, I remember Jessie Armstrong, your wife very well indeed, and I'm very happy to hear from her. Please give her my sincerest regards.

Doubtless you will remember Maude Brigham. She was one of our star basketball players that I coached. She is now the wife of Judge Clarence Stewart, an old Baker graduate. They live here in Lawrence.

We have three boys and three girls of our own, and, incidentally, four grandchildren. Bobbie, who is a Senior this year, made Phi Beta Kappa and leaves for the University of Pennsylvania next fall to study medicine. Eleanor is the youngest and is a Sophomore in the University. We had one daughter, Jane, who graduated here and went to Stanford and graduated there. She is now an artist in Chicago and doing very well indeed.

But I must discontinue this writing because if I get started on reminiscences I might write a book.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Rrecreation-Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

FCA:rc

September 4, 1940 m. F. Clare The Alkalol Company Taunton, Massachusotts Door Hr. Claro: We wish to a cknowledge receipt of the supply of Alkalol you sent us. You may be assured we will make good use of the product, and we are happy to recommend its use to others. Thank you for the generous samples. Sincerely yours, Director of Physical Education & Recreation Varsity Basketball Coach PCA: 18

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

We have yours of the 26th and we are very glad to know that the Alkalol we sent you has been used to good advantage. We are very glad to send you another supply which will go forward at once.

We appreciate anything that you can do in recommending our product.

Sincerely yours,

C/H

The Alkalol Co.

August 29, 1940

Sales Manager.

4130 Eaton Ave. Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I was very glad to get your letter telling about basketball plans for the year as well as the schedule. Am sure we were all sorry to hear that Ralph Miller probably will be unable to compete in athletics this year.

This summer has been a very enjoyable one for me and trust that it has for you too. June and July I worked most of the time in KC. For five weeks I was privileged to vacation in the very beautiful state of Washington but I did also find a job to keep me busy one week while there. I particularly enjoyed the cool weather and then Washington has so many interesting things to see that I considered my visit a real education in itself.

Before school was out last spring we were talking about my working in the towel room again this year. As I understood it I am to be an assistant to John Kline who will have charge of the room. I hope this plan can be worked out as I am very desirous of working this year. I shall be coming to Lawrence, Monday, September 16 for registration. If it is agreeable with you I should like to see you then and we could go over plans concerning the towel room for the coming year.

Sincerely, Sarley Anderson

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NIGHT LETTER SEPTEMBER 17, 1940

MR. HERBERT G. ALLPHIN 536 SPURGEON STREET FORT WORTH, TEXAS

YOUR LETTER RECEIVED MONDAY SIXTEENTH. INASMUCH AS OUR SCHOOL WORK HAS ALREADY STARTED AND SINCE ABSENCES SUCH AS YOURS ARE EXCUSABLE ONLY BY ILLNESS I SEE BUT TWO ALTERNATIVES POSSIBLE: FIRST, PLEASE PRESENT YOURSELF HERE FOR OUR OPENING CLASSES FRIDAY OR SECONDLY, IN VIEW OF PART-TIME TENURE HERE I WOULD SUGGEST YOUR RESIGNATION AND YOUR ENDEAVOR TO LOCATE PERMANENTLY ELSEWHERE. REPLY WESTERN UNION.

Forrest C. Allen

cc: Chancellor Malott Dean Schwegler

Fort Worth, Texas September 12th, 1940.

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

I was in Lawrence last week-end but you were out of town. I am wondering if, for the time being, it will be possible to excuse me from my classes during the last part of September and the first part of October. I have already signed the pay roll for September.

If my work can be absorbed in the Department for awhile, it will be a great favor to me, as I am trying to get other employment.

Thank you for your sincere consideration in this matter.

Sincerely yours

Herbert G Alliphin

536 Spurgeon

Fort Worth, Texas.

September 25, 1940 Mr. Herbert G. Allphin 536 Spurgeon Street Fort Worth, Tems My dear Mr. Allphin: In my wire I offered you two alternatives, either to return at once or to resign. Your failure to comply with either suggestion has given me no other alternative than to replace you in the department, and to notify the Chancellor's office accordingly. In regard to the 1922 salary, you must know that the fiscal year in the University does end and always has ended upon June 30, and all University appointments always terminate at that time. Furthermore, you must recognize that from the date of your contract, September 1925, you were paid continuously month in and month out until your appointment was changed in 1935 from twelve to nine months, without reduction in salary. Hence, nothing can be due you, whatever. Sincerely yours, Director of Physical Education and Recreation Varsity Basketball Coach FCA:1g oc: Chancellor Malott Dean Schwegler

Sept. 21, 1940

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

Dear Sir:

Wish to acknowledge remeipt of your recent wire. You said answer by Western Union, but did not say wire collect, therefore I did not feel able financially to do it at my own expense. I was unable to report for class Friday as you suggested.

Since my salary there has been reduced materially, I thought maybe you might be willing to carry me on the pay roll during the coming school year. I think there are a few that have been carried on the pay roll one way os the other. If a deal of this nature can be arranged, it would be a great help to me in getting adjusted elsewhere.

Before I resign formally, there is a matter I would like to have brought to the attention of the University. I came to Kansas University in the fall of 1925 at a salary of \$2200. for twelve months. The fiscal year on the contract reads from September 1925. July 1st. 1926 the contract was changed to read fiscal year from July 1st.

This case carries the same status as that of Cappon, Steele Lookabaugh and Sabe. According to my addition I have \$366.66 due me from the University of Kansas. What do you intend to do about it?

Very truly yours

Alerbert G. Aliphin Ft. Worth, Texas

October 5, 1940

Mr. M.T. Andrews Boys' Worker and Program Director Ratherine House of Christian Fellowship 3801 Deodar Street East Chicago, Indiana

Doar Mr. Andrews:

assure you that I would be happy to autograph and present you with a complimentary copy of My Basketball Bible if I had one. The book is now out of print and in its place I have written a new book, Better Basketball, published by the McGraw-Hill Book Company. I am sending Mr. Curtis W. McGraw, the vice-president of the corporation, your letter and suggesting to him that if it is in line with the policy of his institution that he send you and your boys an author's copy.

way to My Basketball Bible. We were quite fortunate in the distribution of that book in that over fifteen thousand copies were sold. Our new book is being received very enthusiastically by the coaches and the teachers of physical education.

Mr. Grahame. It was a pleasure to meet you gentlemen and I have always treasured your acquaintance. I wish you success in your new work.

I trust that Mr. McGraw will see fit to place one of the volumes in the very hotbed of basketball.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours.

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Katherine House of Christian Fellowship

3801 Deodar St. East Chicago, Ind.

Oct. 3, 1940

Dr. Phog Allen
Director of Athletics
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

If your memory is as good as your teachings, you will have no difficulty recalling me. We have met some threeyears ago in New York City, in the office of Sport Story Magazine, of which I was the editor at the time when we bought a very fine article from you on basketball.

Later, you presented Mr. Oliphant and Mr. Grahame with a complimentary copy of your "My Basketball Bible." When Oliphant and I left Street & Smith the book was to pass on to me. Unfortunately, someone had absconded with it. I had always wanted to get a copy of it myself, and am writing to ask you whether it would be in conformity with your principles to present a copy of "My Basketball Bible" to my boys. Katherine House is a Community Center for the underpriviled boys and girls. We haven't any sinking funds and must rely on benefactors to donate what each can to make the boys happy. This is a hotbed of basketball and anything you could contribute in that line—book, charts, drills, etc.—would be of inestimable value to the House.

I beg you to forgive me this unusual request, but I know your sincere interest in boys and your desire to help whenever you find it possible.

Sincerely yours,

M.T. Andrews Boys' Worker and Program Director

October 9, 1940 The Alkalol Company Taunton, Massachusetts Deer Sirs: I am writing to see if you have changed the formula for Alkalol. The bottles that I have received seem to be much weaker when applied to the eyes than the others were. It seems as if the camphor or the biting qualities of the Alkalol I had proviously used is absent in this. Could it be that these are samples that have grown somewhat aged and lost their zip? If I am incorrect, I would appreciate it if you will tell me. Please do not think that beggars should be choosers; rather, I have grown so fond of Alkalol that I have recommended it to many people and I want to be up on the eye medicant. Sincerely yours, Director of Physical Education and Recreation Varsity Basketball Coach FCA:1g

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

We have your letter of October 9th. In reply we would say that the formula for Alkalol has not been changed in any particular but is exactly the same as it has been for years. It is true that when Alkalol is used frequently in the eye the stinging sensation lessens with this continued use. This is undoubtedly due to the fact that the patient's eyes have improved and, therefore, there is less reaction. Alkalol does not deteriorate or change unless it has been kept for a very long time so we feel sure that the above explanation is the correct one.

It certainly looks as if you have a tough schedule with your basketball team and we shall follow their contests with interest. May Alkalol have something to do with the winning team.

Sincerely yours,

The Alkalol Co.

Mence T. Banker

October 14, 1940

MTB/H

Merle T. Barker, Treas.

October 25, 1940 Hr. Vince Andrus 4520 Chestmit Ransas City, Missouri Dear Mr. Andrus: I am returning the two tickets to Mr. Earl Falkenstien and you can rest assured that you will get your refund in a very short while. Very cordially yours, Director of Physical Education and Recreation Varsity Basketball Coach FCArls

October 31, 1940 Mr. Kenneth S. Adams Phillips Petroleum Company Bartlesville, Oklahoma Dear "Boots:" Thanks very much for your good letter. I wanted to do something for the boy if I could and I knew that you would understand. I am leaving for Toledo and Milwaukee today for speaking engagements and will be gone for about a week. I plan to return to Lawrence in time for the Homecoming on the 9th. Sincerely yours, Director of Physical Education and Recreation Varsity Basketball Coach FCA: 1g:mln

October 26, 1940 Mr. Henneth "Boots" Adams President, Phillips Petroleum Company Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Dear "Boots": I have written "Chuck" Hyatt a letter regarding any help that he could show to Al Wellhausen, the boy who formerly played with me here at Kansas and who played on the '89ers in Oklahoma City last year. Al tells me that the Phillips 66 people furnished two jobs for two of the boys on the '89ers last year; one in the warehouse and the other in the field with the British-American (il Company. I believe "Chuck" cooperated in helping in this set-up. I do not know whether "Chuck" could use Al, but I would appreciate it, "Boots", if you or "Chuck" could lend your kindly interest in helping Al Wellhauson got lined up in some kind of a job. He and Odell Floyd had the two jobs. Al. unfortunately, took the warehouse job and Floyd took the British-American Oil Company job. Floyd has had several raises and is doing very well while Al's job proved purely a temporary one and played out last June

I know how busy you are but any kindness you can show to this boy would be greatly appreciated. His family are wonderful people and they are getting of such age that Al really wants to help them because they helped him obtain his education.

I know that this is an imposition, but I assure you that I would do anything to cooperate with you if you would ask me, and for that reason I am somewhat apologetic in asking you, but I am interested in the boy and his future.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours.

Director of Physical Education and Recreation Varsity Basketball Coach

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PHILIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY

BARTLESVILE, OKLAHOMA

K. S. ADAMS PRESIDENT October 30, 1940

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

Dear Phog:

This will acknowledge your letter of October 26 in reference to Al Wellhausen, which I have discussed with Chuck Hyatt.

Due to the unsettled conditions account of the war our own situation is somewhat undecided. However, Chuck tells me that a request has been made for a tall center by one of the teams on the West Coast, and he is writing to you along this line.

With kindest personal regards,

I am

Sincerely yours,

Hope to see you in Lowrence on the 4th

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Mr. Lee K. Anderson, Secretary
Oklahoma High School Athletic Association
314 Key Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Anderson:

I find that I have failed to answer your favor of June 3. Somehow your letter was misplaced in a file and with my summer coaching schools on I did not clean out this file until the middle of October and I am just now getting around to answering your letter.

We expect to set the dates for the Western and the National playoff, which will be held in Kansas City, sometime late in March. Our last game in the Big-Six Conference is with Oklahoma in Lawrence on March 7, and our last game with Oklahoma A. and M. is in Lawrence on March 11.

Of course, Lee, we cannot tell what teams will finish first in the Big-Six and Missouri Valley, and the teams that win will largely determine the location of the play-off. It is altogether thinkable that even if one of the Oklahoma teams win the games might not be played in Oklahoma City. The policy would be to rotate some of these games, if there is a place just as good or better than the location of the last two years. Do you have any special dates in mind, Loe?

I understand Creighton is to be very strong this next year, but I imagine Hank will also be strong. There is not much of a chance for the championship in the Missouri Valley to go more than three places; namely, Omaha, Des Moines or Stillwater. If Creighton should win then, of course, the winners of the Big-Six and the Missouri Valley play-off would doubtless be played somewhere else than Oklahoma City.

I doubt if there will be a tie in either Conference, but again the two winners will largely determine the play-off by the geographical set-up.

Write me and tell me what you would desire regarding dates for your high school tournament and we will be glad to cooperate with you.

With ell good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation Varsity Basketball Coach Oklahoma High School Athletic Association

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June 3, 1940

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Dr. ForrestC. Allen, Basketball Coach, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

It is our desire to hold our tournaments on such dates that they will not conflict with the college play-off or the N.C.A.A. championship.

Do you, at this time, have the dates set for the regional elimination contests for next season? As I understand it that only consists of the play-off between the Missouri Valley and the Big Six winners. In case there is a tie in either or both of these conferences, what dates would be used for that play-off?

Thanking you for this information and assistance, I am

Yours very truly,

LEE K. ANDERSON, Secretary

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