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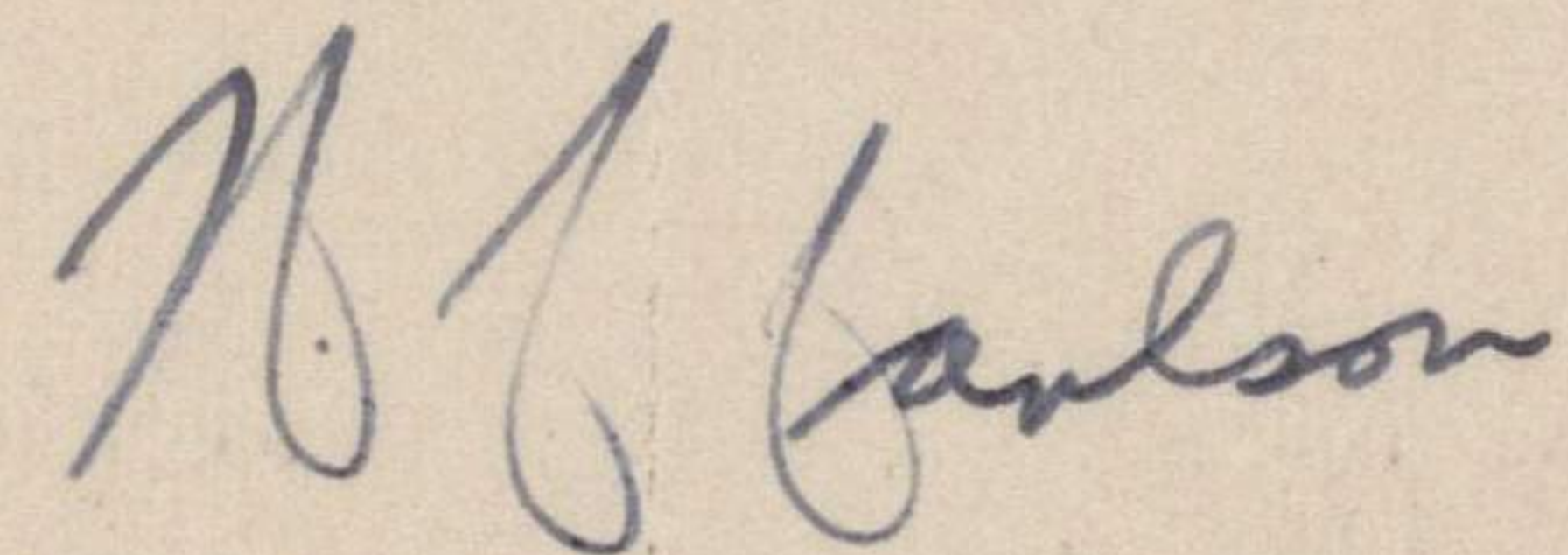
October 30, 1937

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

Does the new seamless Basket Ball, cause your boys, on hard forty feet passes, to throw "floaters", "sinkers", "drops", "curves", "twisters"? These are the terms applied to the tricks done by passing the ball hard. Last year when the ball was used in the presence of the salesman, the players discarded the ball, somewhat to our embarrassment. At the coaches meeting claims were made that the ball had been perfected. Perhaps our "new" seamless ball was taken from the "old" vintage. If this latter is correct it still promotes suspicion. On the basis of our actual experiments with the ball we can have no confidence in it. We would like to know the actual facts, with no sales talk.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'H. C. Carlson'.

H. C. Carlson, M.D.

December 10, 1937.

Mr. Parke Carroll,
Sports Editor,
Kansas City Journal Post,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Parke:

Thank you so much for your nice letter regarding my book, "Better Basketball". It is nice of you to say the things that you do.

However, when you mention the team as another winner, I am very pessimistic. We will beat the smaller colleges and a few of the Big Six, but Nebraska has a field house full of seniors and they are all good. They were good enough to split with us last year, and they have four of their five back, and we have one of our five. And the incomparable Parsons is equal to our matchless Pralle. There is still a premium on experience and championship participation.

Nebraska and Missouri look like the boys - that will cause lots of trouble with Iowa State, Oklahoma, Kansas State and Kansas scrambling for what is left.

Very cordially yours,

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

FCA:AH

Shan *2 table*
December 30, 1937.

Mr. W. F. Coen, Jr.,
Coen's Athletic Goods Co.,
925 Walnut St.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Junior:

I am now answering your good letter of the 21st instant regarding George Ramsey, of Clinton High School. I used to know people at Windsor when I was at Warrensburg from 1912 to 1919. The proprietor of the Tiger Hotel at Columbia, Missouri, was an old Windsor citizen and owner of the coal mines there. His name was Mr. Bowen.

You know, Junior, I never yet made any approach to any of the high school boys either in Kansas or Missouri. I know all the other coaches do it, but I have never placed myself in the position of making people feel that I had to go out and get the material to have a good team. I have always believed that I could coach boys and even though I might not always get the best ones as far as individual skill is concerned, I have been more interested in boys who select the University first, and then I have tried to make the best basketball players out of them that I possibly could.

Now, please do not think that I am unappreciative of your interest. I certainly am not. If the boy would be interested in the University of Kansas of course I would be happy to help him, but it is putting the load on the wrong shoulder to have a high school chap think that he would do the University a big favor by attending.

That is what is wrong with our athletics at the present time. If all the coaches would leave the boys alone and let them select their schools, we would not have the situation that we have at the present time. Now, don't think this is an old uncle giving you a lecture. I get so darned fed up on high school kids having coaches run after them begging them to enroll, that I just can't take it.

Now, Junior, regarding your fine suggestion for a between-halves performance of table tennis. Glenn Charlton, the insurance man, came to me about a month ago concerning Miss Ruth Forsythe, of Kansas City, and he would like to have her and some other people come down and put on a table tennis exhibition between halves if agreeable. I told him it would be great.

I am wondering if you know Miss Forsythe and the group that she plays with. Our lights are so arranged now in the auditorium that the players would have plenty of illumination, and I believe they would be greatly enjoyed by the spectators. We certainly want this exhibition, and I appreciate your writing me about it. Will you give me the dope on Miss Forsythe?

Now, regarding the good luck charms that the suits have proved to be (prior to the Drake game). I believe it is the uniforms and not the boys in them that have scared the opposition. Our boys have become scrappy at times, but for some unaccountable reason the opposition have let up just in time for us to score a win. Our practice games are drawing to a close, and I am afraid the tougher competition will reveal our true weaknesses.

Please feel assured that I realize that we have no stronger supporter than W. F. Coen, Jr.

With kindest regards and best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

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NINE TWENTY-FIVE WALNUT STREET - - KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

WHOLESALE & RETAIL December 21, 1937

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

Dear Doc:

I meant to acknowledge your clipping on the uniforms several days ago but the Christmas rush of business is getting head over heels. I did appreciate the kind words about the uniforms and I have heard from other sources as well that the boys look mighty nice. From the box scores it looks as though they are looking nice in action as well as uniforms and I know that you are going to be right in the thick of it again this year.

Just to pass on a word that I just heard. George Ramsey, the Coach at Clinton High School, was in a few days ago and happened to mention a boy named Hamlin of Windsor High School, Windsor, Missouri. He said he is the best boy he has seen in years. He is big and from all reports does a lot of scoring. I just mention this because I imagine you like to hear about promising boys. Incidentally, he's a senior. I haven't seen him personally.

I have an idea for you for a between halves performance that I feel would be of great interest. It would be a table tennis exhibition between two top flite players. Most people do not realize how scientific the game has become and how interesting it can be for the spectators. I am sure I could do all the arranging if you are interested.

All the luck in the world to you and the boys and I hope the suits prove good luck charms. I know you don't have any stronger supporter than I.

Ruth Ramsey

Yours very truly,

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BY

W. F. Coen Jr.

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December 24, 1937.

Mr. W. F. Coen, Jr.,
Coen Athletic Goods Co.,
925 Walnut St.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Junior:

I appreciate your fine letter of the 22nd instant. I certainly concur in your thought that it would be better perhaps to concentrate the attention of the spectators on something in the nature of a demonstration of the so-called finer points of the game. We can arrange the microphone on the floor and let Al Burgess do his stuff and have you and Hal demonstrate. That would be swell.

Now here is the only rub. After the first game we have a game between the ever-victorious outfit against the freshman all-star team. We have a double header, and between the two games we have only 15 minutes. So why would it not be a good idea to demonstrate your trick shots, and then after one of our other Big Six games, which start at 7:30 and finish before 9 o'clock, have you four fellows put on a real match. I know everybody would stay to see such a match.

But I am especially anxious to have you and Hal for the between-halves of the Oklahoma-Kansas game. This will open up our conference season and having two outstanding tennis players not only of the United States but of the globe, and I say that without blushing, we should knock off the opening of the Big Six here at home with a bang.

If you and Hal want to warm up before the match we could set a tennis net here in Robinson Gymnasium so that you and he could limber up your shots here and then have this other set up ready immediately after the first half and you could go into action there on the floor. What do you think of that? This is either for your trick shots or for anything you want.

I don't like to ride a good horse to death, but here is what I would like for you to do, if you will consent. Put on the trick shot stuff using Al Burgess to point out the different shots which you and Hal demonstrate, then for one of the other games in the very near future to have a real match after our game. This would be a wow!

I appreciate, Junior, your cooperation. If at any time you and Hal want to drive down before the 7th, say Sunday, January 2, I will arrange for the auditorium court in the morning so that you may practice, or you can use the gymnasium floor any time Sunday morning or Sunday afternoon. I do not know whether you have floor space available over there, but I imagine many of the high school gymnasias would have floor space large enough to play on and get practice.

I am writing you another letter regarding the table tennis. Thank you so much for the suggestion.

With all good wishes for the holiday season,

I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education.

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NINE TWENTY-FIVE WALNUT STREET - - KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

WHOLESALE & RETAIL

December 22, 1937

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

Dear Doc:

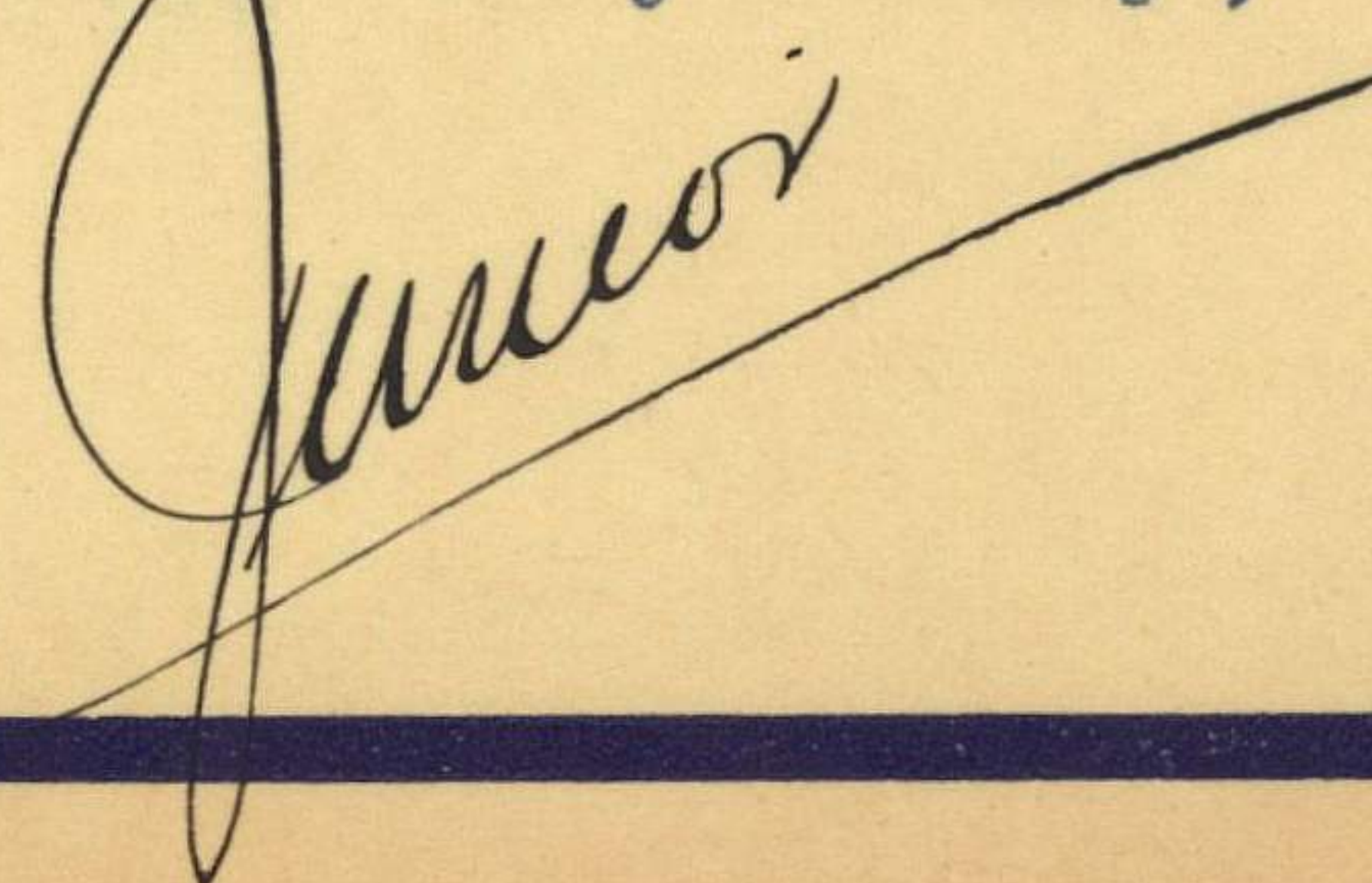
I have your letter in regard to the tennis exhibition and have just phoned Hal Surface. It seems that Hal has not played for a month or so and feels that he could hardly do his public justice without some practice. Of course I haven't played in five or six months but then my public has gone the way of all flesh and I am not so particular. However he is very willing to come down and you can count on us for some sort of performance on the night of the 7th.

Frankly by the time you set up the court and get us started to play we would be no more than warmed up and ready to hit the ball a few times before you and the boys would be ready to do battle again on the basket ball court. I wonder if it would not concentrate the attention of the spectators more and be more interesting if we worked out something in the nature of a demonstration on some of the so called finer points of the game.

For instance I could imagine Al Burgess, the local professional, with a microphone on the floor talking and pointing out different shots which Hal and I could demonstrate. Then perhaps after the game we might have a fast doubles match between four good players whom I know I could furnish. I am afraid actual playing would be sort of a failure unless we had a little more time but we will be governed, of course, by whatever you want.

We may come down once before then and get our hand in a little and we can talk about it at that time or you can let me know which you think will be best. Don't worry, we won't let you down.

Yours very truly,



WFCjr:CES

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December 20, 1937.

Mr. Don Cooper,
Southwestern College,
Winfield, Kansas.

Dear Don:

Since your team wore white suits when you played here, we are presuming that you will wear white suits again Tuesday night when we play you at Winfield. We are, therefore, bringing our red suits.

It is a Big Six custom that when we are on the road we wear the red suits, to avoid soiling the white suits in travel.

I trust it will be quite agreeable with you for us to wear red. We are looking forward with great pleasure to our game with you tomorrow night.

Sincerely yours,

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

cc to Coach George Gardner.

December 20, 1937.

Mr. Charles J. Welter,
Crane and Company,
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Welter:

We have received in today's mail the specifications and estimate on steel cabinets for the men's towel room from Mr. F. L. Brous.

I would like to talk this over with you as soon as possible. Our basketball team plays in Winfield Tuesday night, and we will return to Lawrence Wednesday afternoon. I am wondering if you could stop in my office some time Thursday morning?

Sincerely yours,

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

December 24, 1937.

Mr. Delmar Curry,
Sports Editor,
Hutchinson News,
Hutchinson, Kansas.

Dear Delmar:

I notice through press dispatches that you are now located at Hutchinson after your world tour. This is just a little note to say "hello", and to tell you that we are very happy you are in Kansas again after a very successful tour.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

FCA:AH

December 24, 1937.

Mr. Don Cooper,
Athletic Director,
Southwestern College,
Winfield, Kansas.

Dear Don:

I am returning three tickets for our Southwestern-Kansas game. These were left from the group that we did not use, all of which you so kindly gave us. I am sure the boys' parents appreciated very much your generosity.

George's boys played a great game and we were lucky to get off with the longer end of the score. From a spectators point of view it must have been a very interesting game if closeness of scores amount to anything.

I enjoyed having a visit with you, and may I extend to you and George the best wishes for your continued success at Southwestern.

Sincerely yours,

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

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December 23, 1937.

Coach John F. Carmody,
Haskell Institute,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear John:

I assure you that we were very happy to have you as referee of our games with Ottawa. The boys liked your work, and I trust that we may have an opportunity to use you again some time in the near future.

Wishing you the Yuletide greetings, and trusting you have a very Happy and Prosperous New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

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Haskell Institute
Lawrence, Kansas
December 22, 1937

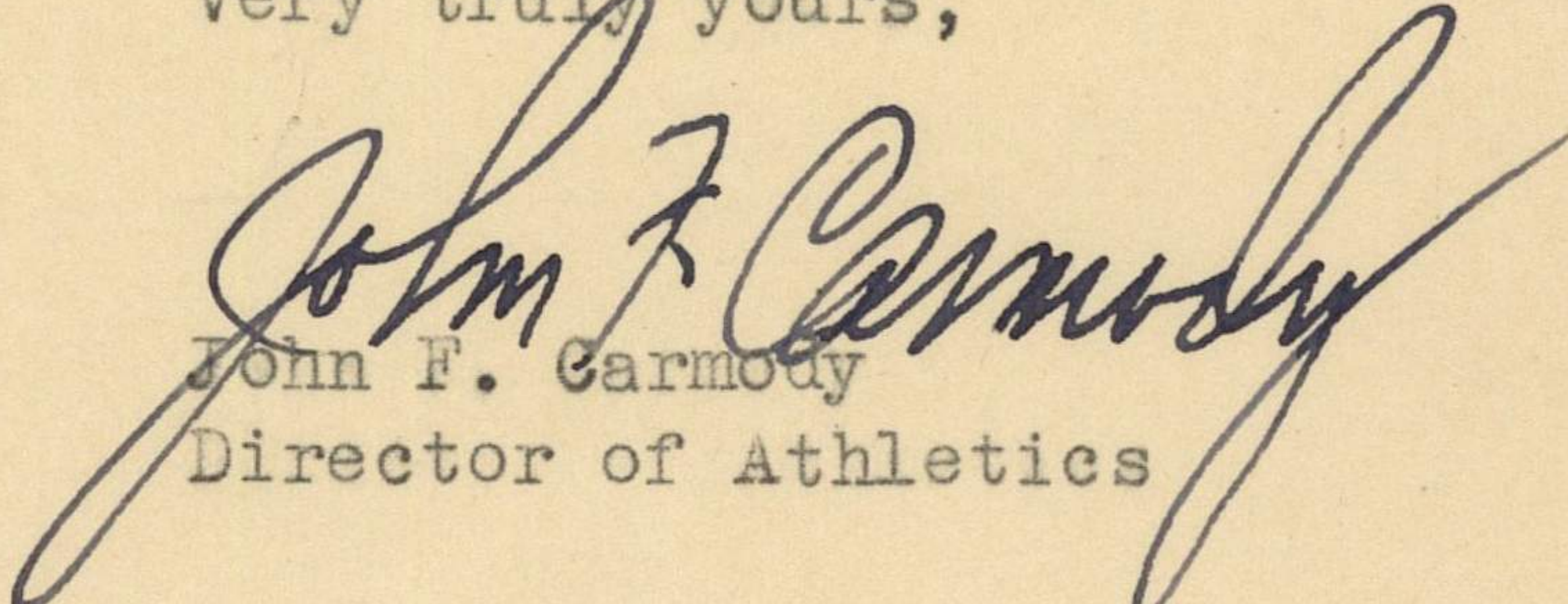
Dr. F. C. Allen
Basket ball Coach
Kansas University
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I wish to express my appreciation for the opportunity of refereeing your Ottawa basket ball games. I wish that you would thank your boys for the cooperation they gave me.

I hope that you will have a most successful season.

Very truly yours,


John F. Carmody
Director of Athletics

JFC:LB

January 5, 1938.

Mr. O. A. Cruce,
Coach, Arlington High School,
Arlington, Texas.

Dear Coach Cruce:

Thank you for your very good letter of January 2 concerning our former meeting at a coaching school at Texas Tech in the summer of '32. It was very nice of you to say the nice things that you have said.

Mr. Cruce, I have just written a new book, "Better Basketball". I believe it is the last word in basketball, and I am sending you some pamphlets published by McGraw-Hill Book Company, which tell of the book. I am also sending you a short description of the contents as I have sketched it off for your perusal.

The book sells for \$4.00 and if you would care to mail me a check for that amount I will be glad to autograph the book and send it to you, prepaid by parcel post.

This very definitely explains the stratified transitional man-for-man defense with the zone principle and it takes up everything in basketball from A to Z.

You will notice that this book is very much larger than most texts. It is 6 by 9, has 490 pages, and is beautifully illustrated, as well as very comprehensive. I believe this is worth \$4.00 of any basketball coach's money.

Awaiting your reply with pleasure, and assuring you I am very happy to get your letter, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

702 W. Abram
Arlington, Texas
Jan. 2, 1938

Mr. Forrest C. Allen,
Basket Ball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen,

I attended one of your basket ball coaching school at Texas Tech in the summer of 1932. There I learned to know you and respect your ability as a basket ball Coach, and too. Your record shows just the kind of Coach you are.

I am just a small town high school Coach. (Student body 450) I noticed in the paper on Dec. 25 that you were holding at Blake University a basket ball Clinic in which you were going to explain your defense that you employed. The paper spoke of it as, "the stratified transitional Man-for-man defense with zone principle." I am wondering if it would be possible

in any way for me to get that information
that you gave? It is immaterial whether it be
in ^{personal} notes, diagrams or clippings.

Please advise me - Best wishes to you
for another successful basket ball season. I am,

Yours Very Truly
D. A. Cruce
Coach of Arlington High
Arlington, Texas

January 6, 1938.

Mr. W. F. Coen,
Coen Athletic Goods Co.,
925 Walnut Street,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Junior:

Thanks for your letter of the 5th instant. We are counting on you tomorrow night, and Mr. Falkenstien is taking care of the tickets for your party.

I regret to learn of the death of Mr. Earl Evans.

I appreciate your nice words about the team, Junior, and believe we will have an interesting game tomorrow night.

Looking forward to seeing you at that time, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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WHOLESALE & RETAIL

January 5, 1938

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

Dear Doc Allen:

Certainly enjoyed the game last night and it is remarkable how far the boys have come on since before Christmas. If you will pardon me, it is certainly a mighty nice job of coaching.

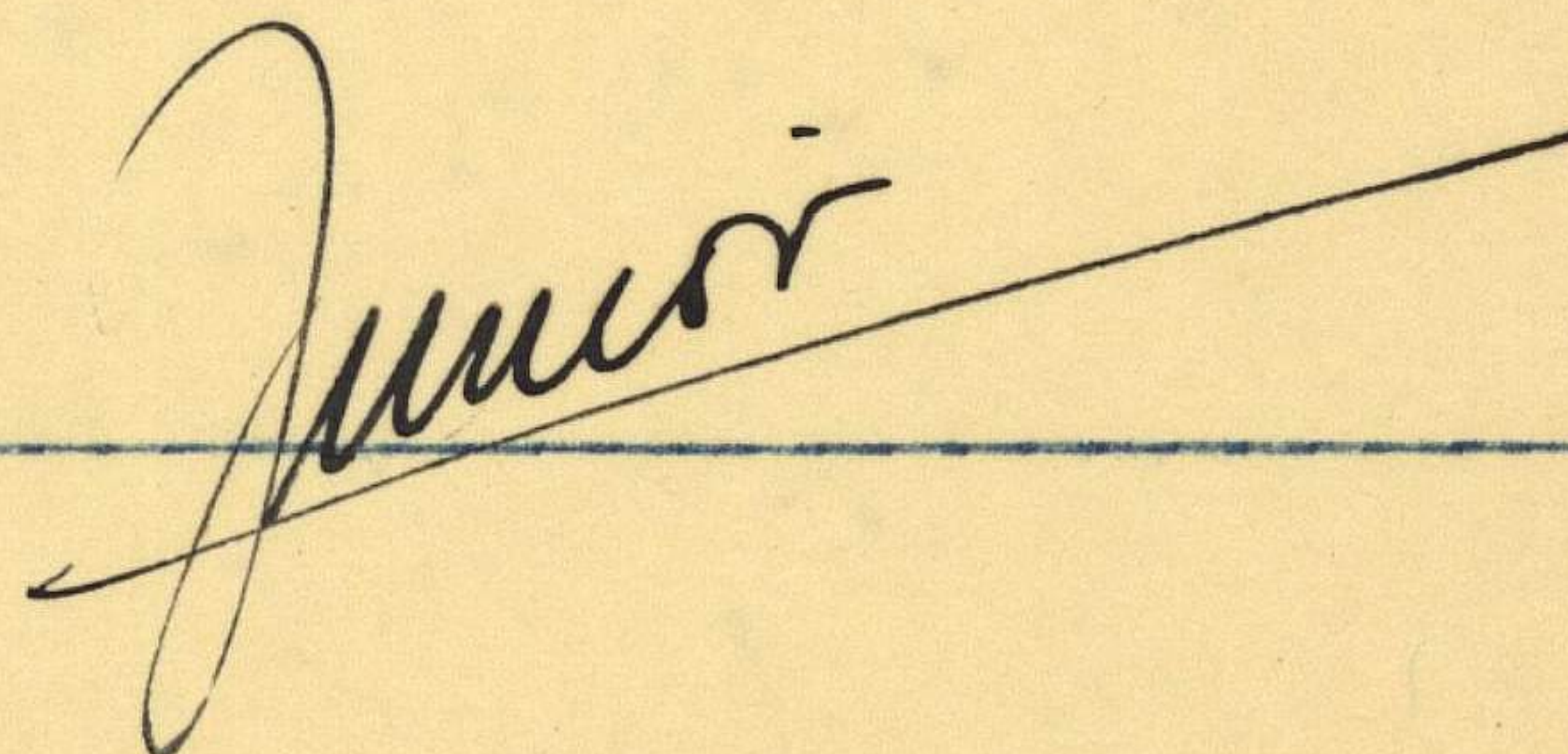
I will be on hand Friday night although I might be a little late in arriving myself since I must attend the funeral of Mr. Earl Evans of our company who died last night. I believe there will be a party of about ten coming down to see the matches including my wife and myself. I will appreciate your having a block of seats at the gate so we can all sit together. We will of course expect to pay at least a good part of it.

Looking forward to seeing you then and best wishes for a victory Friday night.

Yours very truly,

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P. S. - Thanks again for all your trouble last night.

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January 7, 1938.

Mr. Glenn Charlton,
Insurance Building,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Glenn:

Thank you for your letter of January 6th concerning Miss Ruth Forsythe and the possibility of her and her group playing here on February 2nd.

I think this will be a wonderful entertainment and I appreciate your kind cooperation in endeavoring to bring it about. We are reserving the date for her, and I am trusting that we will hear from her in the very near future.

We can publicize Miss Forsythe and her personnel to an exceptional advantage, and I know from the interest in this table tennis among our acquaintances that it will go over with an exceptional bang. I think the two women players and the mixed doubles will be very generously received.

As soon as I receive word from Miss Forsythe we will get busy and put things in shipshape for a fine reception for her and her group.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

January 6, 1938

Dear Ruth:

I have your letter of January 5th regarding the table tennis contest February 2nd, which is the biggest game of the year and I am glad you picked that date because your party will all enjoy the Nebraska-Kansas game and it will be the largest crowd which will watch a basketball game this year here.

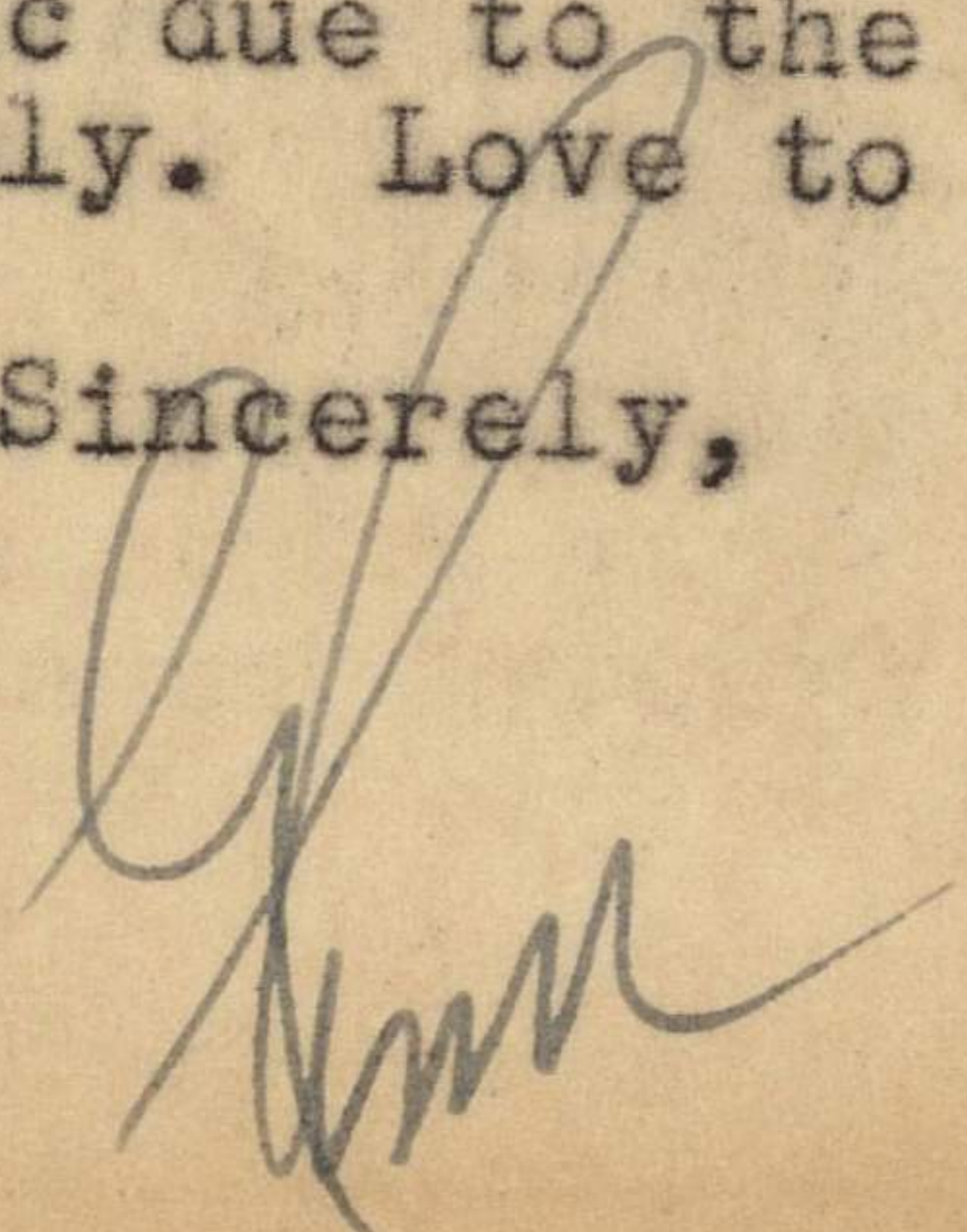
I talked to Dr. Allen this morning on the phone. He wants you to advise us as quickly as possible the entire personnel of players and their titles in Kansas City and I have explained to him that you were arranging a singles match between the two lady players and also a mixed doubles match. Twelve minutes is the entire time available. Mr. Allen wants to send your party tickets and as the reservations of the game are difficult to get it is important that you notify Dr. Forrest C. Allen by early mail the number of persons you want tickets for and also the names of all the players as above suggested. This is necessary because of the importance of publicity in advance.

These games start promptly at 7:30. If you will kindly deal direct with Dr. Allen, in care of the Athletic Department, Kansas University, we will avoid any misunderstandings and the arrangements will be completed direct with the parties involved.

I appreciate all the nice things in the personal part of your letter and assure you we will be very happy to see this exhibition here and I think it will be making a big hit with the public due to the fact that you are bringing top notchers only. Love to you and Margaret.

Sincerely,

GEC:AC



January 10, 1938/

Mr. John E. Carlson,
Kansas City Terminal Railway Co.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear John:

Thank you very much for the gate pass for the years 1938 and 1939. It certainly will be of service to me, and I appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending it.

Sorry I couldn't get to Virginia's wedding, but I am sure that you and Virginia can understand. Some time we hope to call on the fortunate young couple - at least we hope they are fortunate.

Cordially yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

KANSAS CITY TERMINAL RAILWAY COMPANY

KANSAS CITY, MO.

J. E. CARLSON,
CLAIMS ATTORNEY
J. E. NICKLIN,
CLAIMS ADJUSTER

January 6, 1938.

Mr. F.C.Allen,
Kansas University,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Phog:

I am enclosing a gate pass for the
years 1938 and 1939. I hope it will be of some
service to you during these years.

With best wishes for a fine year, I am
as always,

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John", is written below the typed closing "Very truly yours,".

JEC/s

January 10, 1938.

Mr. W. F. Coen, Jr.,
925 Walnut Street,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Junior:

I have heard so many fine things concerning the play of yourself and Al Burgess. Everybody liked it immensely, and it was great of you to do what you did - it was not only good of you but generous, because I know that these things have put you and Al Burgess out a lot. But you have been swell sportmen and you have done a fine job in a big way.

Although I thanked you personally, I take this means of formally conveying to you our utmost thanks. The University is proud of such sons.

Sincerely and appreciatively yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.



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Lawrence, Kansas

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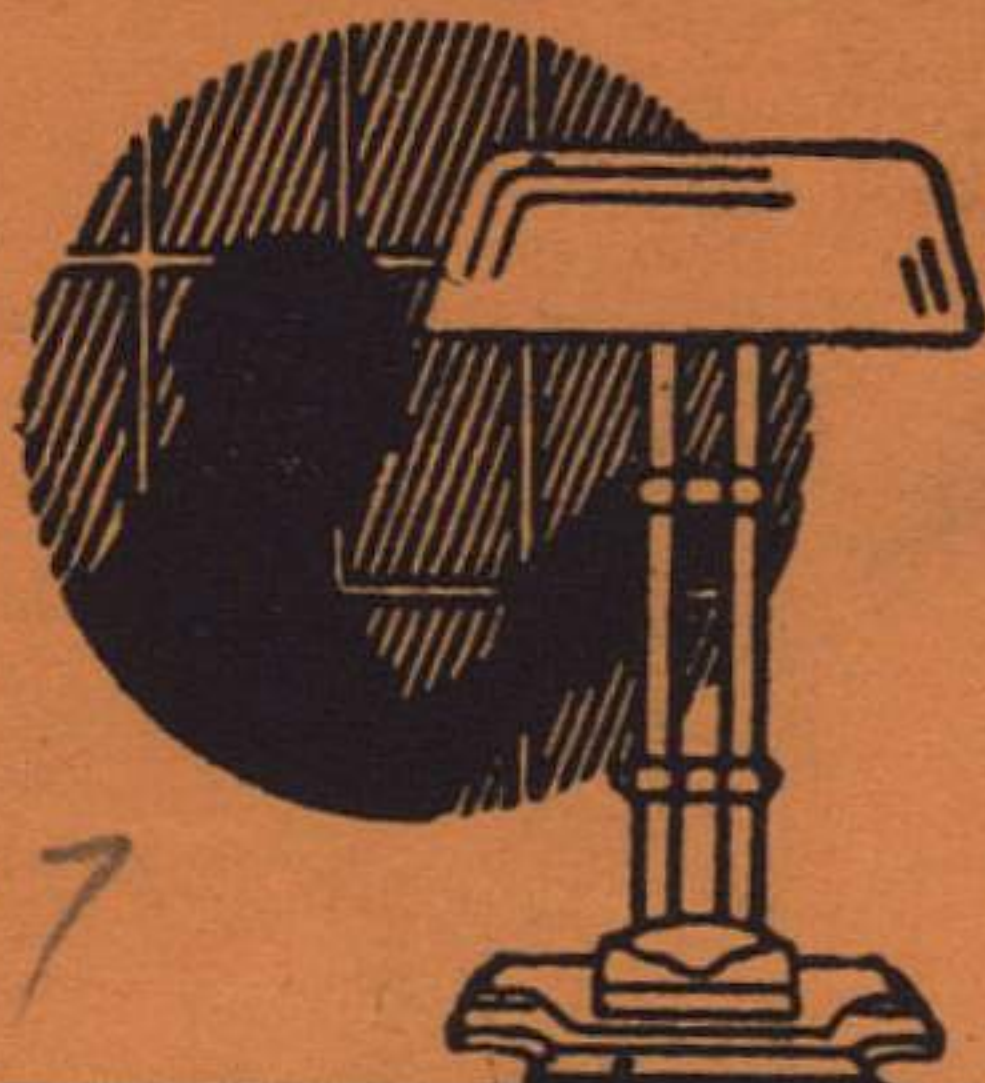
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