

January 27, 1943.

Private Don Dixon,
Co. B, 27th Bn.,
Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Don:

I am sorry that I missed you at Camp Crowder. I did not get your letter until we walked in just prior to playing the game. I thank you for your invitation to eat with you, but the camp is such a bloomin' big place I guess it was impossible to make connections. I certainly would have enjoyed being with you.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.



UNITED STATES ARMY

CO B, 27th Bu.
Cp Crowder, Mo.
Jan 21, 1943.

Dear Phog -
just heard you & team
are visiting us Saturday.
I'd certainly like to see you
give me a call here if
possible - or better, have
lunch or supper with me
Saturday.

Best regards to all the
boys & success here & for
the rest of the season.
Most sincerely:

Don Wilson
Pvt.

January 27, 1943.

Professor K. W. Davidson,
University of Kansas.

Dear Wayne:

I want to commend the fine work done by Chuck Elliott. He is doing a swell job and is showing a lot of interest in the work and is writing some good stuff. He is really on the job. This is very pleasing to me.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Special Service Officer
San Francisco, California

September 5, 1942

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

Dear Doc:

Just a note to tell you that I forgot to
enclose this article which appeared in the "Stanford
Alumni Review" several months ago.

Your brother is very popular and greatly re-
spected at Stanford.

Regards,

Burt.

Burt DeGroot

HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Special Service Officer
San Francisco, California

August 28, 1942

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

Dear Doc,

For a long time I have intended to answer your two very fine letters of some (I'm ashamed to say) months ago. My personal correspondence has been practically nil all summer.

The physical training program is actually beginning to function in our combat units of the Fourth Air Force now--after being on the job over a year! That would indicate that I haven't been doing a very good job, but Doc, you have no idea how slowly things move in the Army. Measures that I wanted to put through last summer are just being accomplished this summer. And there are still plenty of problems to solve before I will feel satisfied that we are actually putting and maintaining this air force in the physical condition in which it should be. About all I can report is that we are actually on the way--at last!

The one fundamental fact that assails me constantly in the work, however, is that the job of basic physical development must be accomplished in the early years of childhood and adolescence. A sound and thorough physical foundation must be laid in the elementary and high school years. It is too late to attempt to develop youths and men to be physically strong and rugged soldiers after they reach maturity. Either the schools themselves or the Federal government must assure adequate physical development of all youth in this country. And it must start in elementary schools. Hitler has shown what can be done in the way of physical development and condition, if the job is done thoroughly and started early enough.

I also firmly believe that everyone should be taught to swim as part of their school course. We are losing hundreds, and will lose thousands, of men in this war simply because they were never taught elementary swimming. Enclosed is some material which I picked up from the Navy, and some of which your swimming teacher might use in his advanced classes this year.

With the approach of the opening of another school year, I feel that old desire to get back in there and start teaching again! Right now it appears that such a day is far off. I can't see less than four to six years more of this war--altho we're all hoping for less, of course. Here's hoping there will still be a spot open at K. U. for me when this is all over. Ruth and I talk so often about Lawrence and K. U. and the enjoyable years we had there. Seems to me, I heard from ~~some~~ one that Hargiss was out--which opens a job that has long needed to be done at K. U.!

I believe Ruth has seen Mary once, before they took a house at Carmel. Ruth introduced Mary to our very good friend, Dell Budd, an evacuee from Honolulu, by remote control.

We're still expecting Mrs. Allen to come out here to see Mary and family during this year. Winter would be a wonderful time. I know that you won't be able to make it, Doc, once that school and basketball get under way, but we wish you could.

Dud has again been appointed one of the coaches for the Eastern All-Star team that is scheduled to play the New Year's Day Shrine game here in San Francisco. He has recently left for Rochester after spending the summer at Tahoe. I expect he will enter the service after New Years. Tunney has offered him a Lt. Commander's commission in the navy physical education program. I really believe that by next spring all men who ever held commissions in the Army (lapsed or not as Dud's is) will be called in. Dud would have gone in before if it weren't for the problem of supporting his large family--now all in high school at the same time!

I have often wondered how many men you will have back from you last year's championship basketball team--and I guess you have wondered the same thing during this hectic war summer! Best of luck for this year, Doc. I hope I have the opportunity of seeing at least one game.

It is possible that we may have a conference of Air Force physical training directors sometime this fall or winter. If we do I'll certainly stop off in Lawrence.

Please give my best regards to Mrs. Allen, all your family and to the remaining members of the physical education department.

Yours sincerely,

Bunt.

E. B. DeGROOT, JR.
Captain, Air Corps
Director of Physical Training
Fourth Air Force

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December 14, 1942.

Mrs. Jewell Ross Davis,
Maryville, Missouri.

Dear Mrs. Davis:

It was good of you to write as you did on December 11. We were happy to have you and the President's wife as our guests, but I was sorry that we could not make a better showing. Our team play is still spotty and ragged, but before the season is over we are hoping for better things.

I will convey your good wishes to Mrs. Allen, and I know she will be mighty happy to have heard from you. Your mention of the Whitmans and the Garrisons brings back many pleasant memories of our Warrensburg days. And the other recollections that you mention have not been forgotten, but they were refreshed vividly by your mentioning them. Those were good days, weren't they?

We reciprocate your good wishes, and wish for you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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

Dear Coach Allen:

The greatest of poets once wrote

God gave us memory
That we might have roses in December...

You have given to me many of my prettiest blossoms.. when as I youngster I attended Normal No. 2 and lived at Whitman's across the street or at Harry and Tot Garrison's around the corner..we all loved Mrs. Allen, the children and Coach.. sure we rebelled a bit when you told us we must quit that popping of necks.. etc.. and other tricks the boys told us they learned from watching you.. They were a serious matter to you but tricks, aye, parlor tricks to us.

And then to meet you in the lobby of the hotel in Kansas City.. to watch you greet the K. U. boys.. the same 'Phog' Allen who the classes of Warrensburg love to have return and talk to them.. and to have you come to give me tickets for Mrs. Lamkin and I .. that was another lovely blossom.

I did watch the Kansas game and when No. 3 or was it No.4 came out I thought of Boob Menz and how you worked with him until he hit that basket from every part of court.

I wish for you and Mrs. Allen a Merry Christmas and the best of health that you may make for yourself and family happiness.

Sincerely

Jewell Ross Davis

Jewell Ross Davis

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
DIVISION OF MILITARY SCIENCE AND TACTICS

JSD:dd
LAWRENCE, KANSAS
November 23, 1942

Dr. F. C. Allen,
Professor of Physical Education,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

My dear Doctor Allen:

This letter is to confirm my statement to you today that during the "No Drill" Period of the ROTC., we are willing to conduct athletics for our ROTC students at 4:30 P.M., each Monday, Wednesday and Friday. We ask your assistance in the needed athletic equipment and in furnishing a place to drill in inclement weather.

Very truly,

James S. Dusenbury
JAMES S. DUSENBURY,
Colonel, C.A.C.,
PMS&T.

November 25, 1942.

Col. J. S. Dusenbury,
Division of Military Science,
University of Kansas.

Dear Colonel Dusenbury:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter concerning your desire to drill the R.O.T.C. boys at 4:30 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

All of the floor space is occupied, but I believe we can make arrangements in inclement weather for you to use the enclosure under the stadium. It is well-lighted and warm, and the Navy plans to use it at other times (morning and evening, I believe). Access to the stadium is good, and I feel this will be a fine arrangement.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

November 27, 1942.

Mr. Stuart Dunbar,
The Salina Journal,
Salina, Kansas.

Dear Stu:

Thank you for your letter just received concerning the broadcasting of the Kansas City games.

I am asking Charles Elliott, our sports publicity director, to send you all the dope on our team, and I am sure that he will get it out to you right away.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

November 27, 1942.

Mr. Chuck Elliott,
Sports Publicity Director,
University of Kansas.

Dear Chuck:

The enclosed letter from Stuart Dunbar, together with a copy of my reply, is self-explanatory. You will notice that he needs this information early next week. I trust you will be able to get it to him right away.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Nov 30, 1942

Dear Phog -

I was terribly sorry that I didn't get to talk with you at the Sup. Off luncheon. I had to get back to work as I am an inspector in a defense plant - for the war effort must go on. But before leaving I did get to hear your very pleasing speech, which I personally think was well done and very beautifully put and believe you me - I certainly got a boot out of it.

You will always be able to take good care of yourself around the Round Table as well as on the Basket-Ball Court.

Keep up the good work - for to me basket-ball is the greatest of all sports and I'll never forget the fine folks that I met playing it.

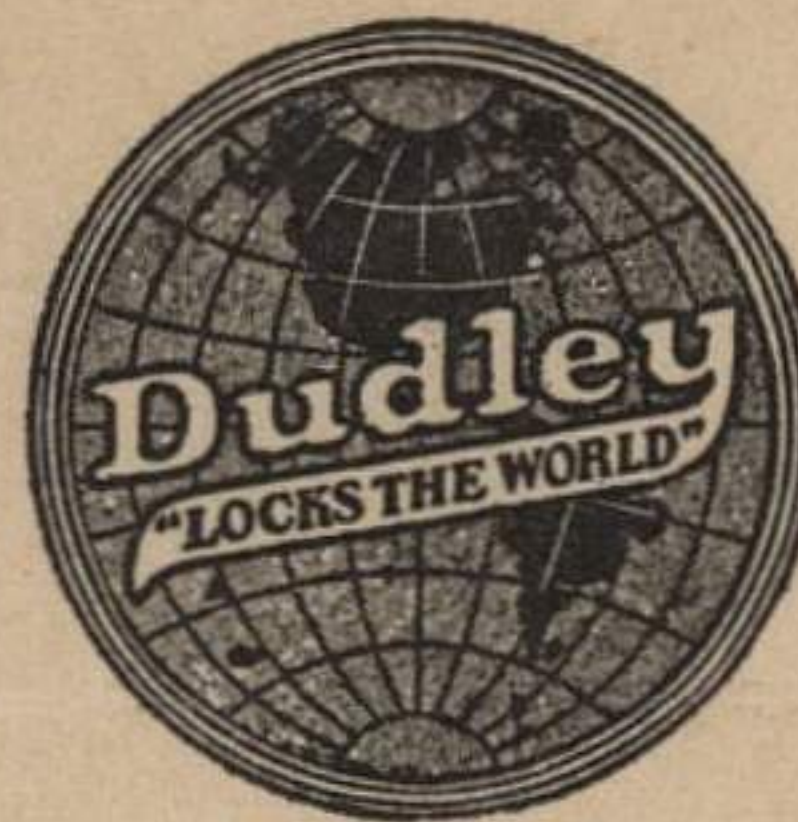
So in the meantime - let me wish you lots of good luck and a most successful season.

Very sincerely,
Jimmie Dubois
3000 Grand Ave
Kansas City, Mo.

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October 21, 1942

University of Kansas
Farrest C. Allenn
Director of Physical ED.
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find the combinations to your
locks requested in your letter.

We are always glad to comply with such requests.

Very truly yours,
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November 11, 1942

GARDNER, KANSAS

Mr. Forrest C. Allen
Director of Athletics
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear "Phog":

We want to congratulate you on the statement contained in the sports pages of the morning Times.

This article will have a most beneficial influence on some one thousand high school principals who read this paper.

We agree heartily with your suggestions and if everybody drives toward a program, we are bound to get one.

Most sincerely yours,

Frank
Frank Cramer,
CRAMER CHEMICAL COMPANY

FC/jdg

Atchison County Community High School

FRANK L. HUNN, Principal

Effingham, Kansas

November 1, 1942
Effingham, Kansas

Dr. F. C. Allen
Director of Physical Education and
Varsity Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I have just received a notice from the local draft board that my classification in III A has been reopened, and on November 9, the board intends to make a new determination of my classification.

Can you give me some information at the present time for the possibilities of getting into some division of service as a Physical Training Instructor?

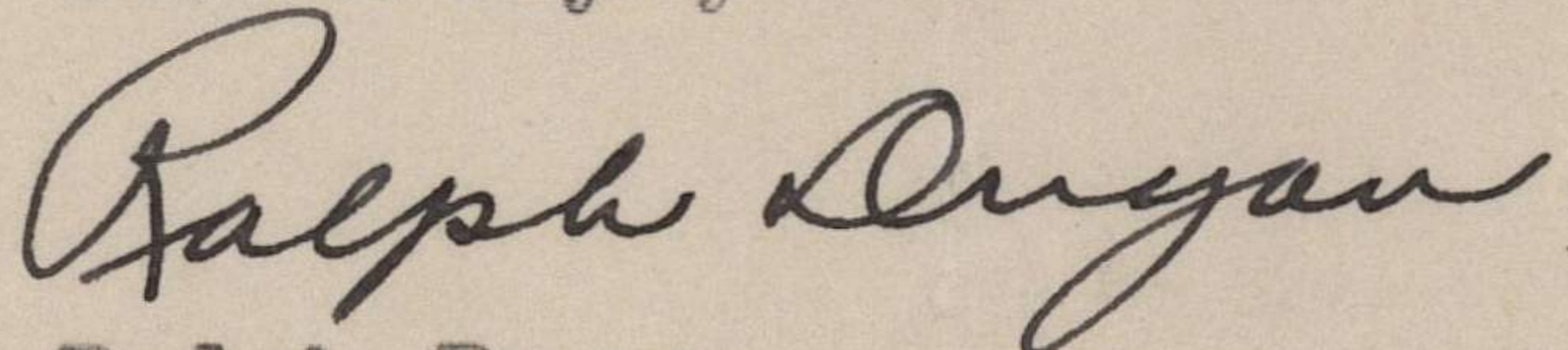
Your kindness and spirit in giving me information and advise in the past makes me feel free to annoy you again.

Our football season is going off in good form, even if it doesn't look so good on paper at the present. We have won three and lost three so far. Hiawatha, Troy, and Atchison were too much for us. Holton and Sabetha remain on our schedule. They are more our size and I am sure that we will beat them.

Mrs. Dugan and I are fine. I hope this finds your family enjoying good health.

I thank you very much for any information that you might be able to give me.

Sincerely yours



Ralph Dugan
Coach and Physical
Education Instructor

RD:VMP

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
LAWRENCE

OFFICE OF
THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION

November 3, 1942

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
105 Robinson Gym
Campus

Dear K. U. Rotarian:

There are sixteen members of the Lawrence Rotary Club on the hill. With gasoline rationing impending and with the tire shortage already in effect, it would seem to be a wise policy to adopt some form of group riding to the Rotary meetings on Monday noon. Two or three cars each week should be sufficient to carry out this program. If you would be willing to cooperate in such a venture I would appreciate your letting me know at your earliest convenience in order that a schedule may be worked out.

With such a plan it would be necessary for each member to use his car only once every four or five weeks and the start down town could be made by pre-arrangement at some central location.

I will appreciate your reaction to this proposal as soon as possible, either by telephone (KU 143) or campus mail.

Sincerely yours,

K. W. Davidson
Director of Information

KWD:MEM

October 24, 1942.

Mr. Charles Dalrymple,
Townsend Inlet Lifeboat St.,
Townsend Inlet, New Jersey.

Dear Charles:

I was indeed happy to hear from you, and I do remember you very well. If there is anything you want that we can grant you it will be a pleasure to do that particular thing.

You are, in my opinion, officer candidate material, and it is a great pleasure for me to write the letter of recommendation. I hope that you get the opportunity, and I know you will make good. I have always liked you for your straightforwardness and manly bearing.

Lots of good luck to you, Charles.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

October 24, 1942.

To Whom It May Concern:

I am very happy to recommend Charles Dalrymple, a graduate of the University of Kansas in 1941. He majored in the Department of Physical Education, and I had many contacts with him.

Dalrymple is a fine, clean, personable, aggressive and intelligent young man. He was one of the leaders on the campus, and made many durable friendships. His character and loyalty are of the highest.

I am glad to recommend him without reservation or evasion.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Townsend Inlet N.J.
Oct. 19, 1942

Dear Dr. Allen:

I am trying, through this letter, to identify myself to you, and also ask a favor of you at the same time. I was a P. E. major, graduated in '41. This might help, also. During my time there I roomed at the Wellhausen residence and we met there several times. Of course I attended several of your classes, but so did hundreds of others. I hope this attempt isn't too great a farce, because I

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am very anxious to have
you grant me this
favor.

I have been informed
that I am eligible for
Officers Training in the
Boast I heard and wish
that you would write,
for me, a letter of recom-
mendation. If you will
do this please send it
to me here at the:

Townsend Inlet Lifeboat St.
Townsend Inlet New Jersey

n. Dr. Allan, I would greatly
appreciate it; if you
would see fit to grant
me this favor.

you are probably

wondering why I
did not try for a P.E.
position in the Navy
when I came into the
service; so I will take this
opportunity to explain. There
quota was filled and the
recruiting officer believed
it would be several months
before there would be any
openings. It so happened
that openings came much
earlier than that, but I
had all ready become a
part of the service as a seaman.
I have tried every way
that seemed would
aid me in getting back
into that type of work,

but it seems that
regardless of qualifications,
I signed as a seaman
and a seaman I shall
be. That is of course
unless they accept my
application for Officers
Training.

Sincerely yours.

Charles S. Dalrymple
J^r/c

U. S. S. Station

Townsend Inlet,
New Jersey.

September 24, 1942.

Mr. H. C. Downs,
1625 Alabama St.
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Downs:

Yes, indeed, I will be very happy to write in your behalf if the Hercules Powder Company asks me for a recommendation. It will be a pleasure, I assure you.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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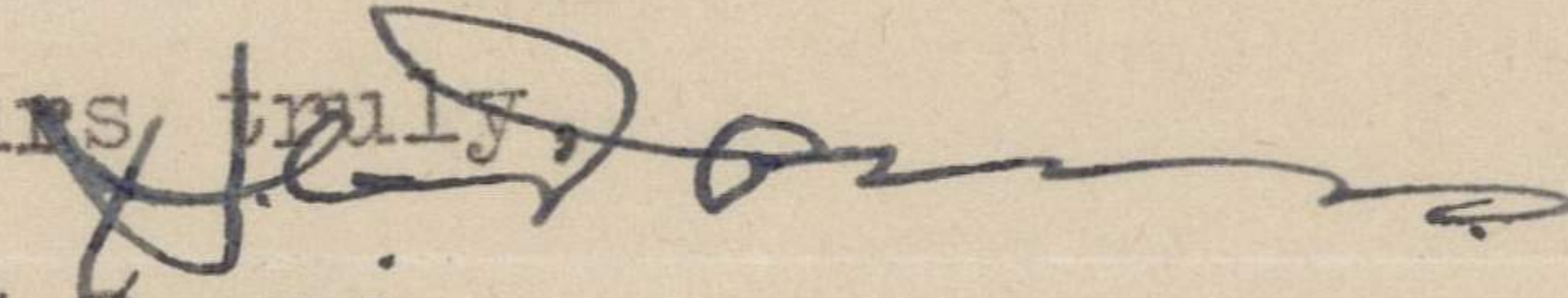
Doctor F. C. Allen;
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

My dear Doctor Allen:

I recently made application for a position with the Hercules Powder Company and in the application I was asked to give references as to what I had been doing for the past twenty years or so. In answer to one question regarding my business soon after leaving the army after the world war I stated that I worked for myself as broker and salesman of army salvage goods. This particular phase called for some names of people who knew that I had been in such a business at that time and I gave your name as one of my references. I felt sure you would remember that at that time I had contacted you in regard to the purchase of army blankets for the football team but as I recall you had just purchased those fine sheep lined coats for the men.

If it is not asking too much, should you receive an inquiry from Hercules regarding this matter and remember that I was in the above mentioned business I would greatly appreciate your confirmation of that fact to them.

Yours truly,


H.C. Downs

Dear Dr. Allen,

Tuesday

I'm coming back to school for sure now. At first I didn't think I would but now I'm sure. Please try to get me in the Navy Reserve. If I don't get in the Reserve, I don't think it would do much good

to go to school.

Lewis and I are
leaving in two days
so will see you.

We'll also need the
jobs you were talking
about.

Sincerely yours
Armand
Difon

September 24, 1942.

Mr. Ralph N. Dugan,
Atchison County Community High School,
Effingham, Kansas.

Dear Red:

Congratulations on your splendid victory, and also on
your well-deserved increase!

I am sure that you will develop a morale and drive so
that all of your athletic teams will give a good account
of your fine training, perseverance and hard work.

We will be watching your schedule with interest and
will be glad to hear how your games come out. Don't be
modest, let us know because we want to boast about our
Red Dugan.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Atchison County Community High School

FRANK L. HUNN, Principal

Atchison, Kansas

September 21, 1942

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach

Dear Dr. Allen:

I recieved the copy of the War Department Basic Field Manual for Physical Training. I thank you for your kindness and bother in helping me to secure this manual. I know it will be helpful in my teaching.

Perhaps you will be interested to know that our school could not secure the services of a football coach this fall, and I was promoted to head coach in all sports. They also raised my wages to \$1675.00.

We won our first game against Valley Falls, 31 to 0. I hope things are going very well at K.U. this fall.

Again, I thank you for this favor, and all of those in the past.

Very truly yours

Red Dugan

Red Dugan

RD/VMP