February 16, 1942.

Mr. Brice Durbin,
Superintendent of Schools,
Burns, Kansas.

Dear Superintendent Durbin:

Thank you for your good wishes expressed in your letter of the 14th.

I am enclosing a schedule of our basketball games. We play Iowa State tonight, and on Friday night, the 20th, we play Oklahoma A. & M. here. The only remaining home game after that is on March 6th with Missouri.

The games this year have been sell-outs, and the only seats left for the Oklahoma A. & M. game are in the top balcony. These would be available to you for the price of the tax, 6¢ a piece. The game with Missouri, of course, is a conference game and it will be a sell-out, but I think your boys would enjoy the Oklahoma A. & M. game. It will be a good contest.

If you desire to reserve tickets for any of the games I suggest that you write to Mr. Earl Falkenstien, financial secretary of the Athletic Association. He has charge of this detail.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

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February 14, 1942

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Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Kansas University
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

Would you please send me a copy of your basketball schedule for the remainder of the season. Also any other data you might have in the way of publicity.

We might bring some of our boys upto see one of your remaining home games and wonder what arrangements could be made for tickets. Would like to know how much they would cost so we can plan accordingly.

Want to congratulate you on the splendid team you have this year. Your talk at ourcommencement last yearwas a real inspiration to our boys and our wholestudent body, as well as the community benefited by it. I liked especially the fine American spirit your address contained and the appeal to the boys to prepare for the defense of their country. It proved most timely as recent events have proved.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,
Brice Durbin, Supt.

Roxy and Annex Theatres

Perry, Oklahoma

February 20, 1942

Mr. F. C. "Phog" Allen
Athletic Director
Kansas University
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

We have been informed by our Chamber of Commerce Secretary Mr. Marsh Woodruff, that you and your Basketball team will be in Perry, February 25th. prior to your game with the Oklahoma A & M College.

It is our hope that your visit in our city will be a pleasant one, and we will be very happy to have you and your group of players as our guests to the New Perry Theatre, Wednesday Afternoon.

Very truly yours,

G. M. Deen

G. M. Deen Mgr.

February 21, 1942.

Mr. G. M. Deen, Manager,
Roxy and Annex Theatres,
Perry, Oklahoma.

Dear Mr. Deen:

We appreciate your courtesy very much in asking the University of Kansas basketball team to be your guests next Wednesday afternoon.

The boys will be resting during a part of the afternoon, and I am not sure that it will be possible for them to avail themselves of your kind invitation. However, we do appreciate your hospitality. Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

March 2, 1942.

Mr. K. W. Davidson,
Minister of Propaganda,
Sports Publicity Director,
University of Kansas.

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Congratulations on the new post! We shall shower you with information! Thank you for the new broom which sweeps so cleanly!

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

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March 12, 1942.

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

Thank you very much for agreeing to appear on the Swift and Company show over WHB next Tuesday, March 17th.

Monday I will contact you at the Muehlebach Hotel or leave definite word as to what time I will pick you up Tuesday morning. I believe you know pretty well what you have in mind for the broadcast.

Here's hoping that the score Tuesday night turns out as it should -- and I know it will.

Cordially,

Ed Dennis
Account Executive

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March 24, 1942.

Mr. Don Carlos Peete, Jr.,
4140 Cambridge,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Don:

We have had your basketball repaired, and are mailing it to you today under separate cover.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

March 24, 1942.

Mr. Gordon Durna,
U. S. Naval Air Station,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Gordon:

It was a great pleasure to receive your letter of recent date, and to know that you are enjoying life in the Navy. I also appreciate your kind words concerning our basketball season.

We were champions of the Fifth District N.C.A.A. play-off, by defeating the Oklahoma Aggies in Kansas City on March 17th, and in the Western N.C.A.A. play-off on March 20 and 21 we won third place. Ralph Miller got sick after the Oklahoma Aggie game. He is still ill and looks terribly bad. He was in bed two days. It is either a slight stricture of the esophagus due to overstrain in that Oklahoma Aggie game, or a catarrhal condition of the gall duct or an irritation to the pyloric end of the stomach. Pain radiates in his right side. He was hardly able to play at all against Colorado and against Rice.

We were behind only two points and the boys got over-anxious and missed a couple of shots under the basket. But it's the same old story - if you can't afford to lose, don't play. We aren't crying about it at all.

Glad you have had some chance to play basketball.

With best wishes for your happiness and success, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

Dear Dr. Allen

I see that Kansas did it again. It certainly was a fitting ending to your twenty fifth year of coaching. I wish I had been there with you this season, as being a part of the Jayhawkers has always been one of my proudest moments.

I'm at Jacksonville now after my preliminary training at Squantum, Mass. and Atlanta, Ga. While at Squantum I played a little basketball on the station team. We won our league made up of three navy teams, three army teams and three civilian teams. The calibre of play was not "Big Six" but the

games were fun.

I received a note from John Buescher a while ago and he told me about the season. Next year ought to be truly great with Charley, Ray, and John all with more experience. I know I shall look forwards to reading about you again.

This Navy life is wonderful. Our meals and quarters are excellent but of course the high spot is flying. Co-ordination is the important thing — just what basketball teaches. When you're up in a plane your mind and body have to be in perfect agreement. Split second decisions have to

U. S. NAVAL AIR STATION
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

be carried out as they are thought of. The percentage of "washouts" is small among the men who have had co-ordination training in athletics so really, Dr Allen, the teams at K. U. are building better material for our aviation forces.

I've also noted from the papers that Bruce Drake is up to his old tricks. Beating the Oklahoma team and showing up Drake is about the best thing that I can think off. It was too bad the boys couldn't turn the trick at Norman this year.

I must be off to duty now,
So so I'll close. Remember me
to the boys on the team
With kindest personal regards

Gordon Durna

April 6, 1942.

Dr. Anne Schley Duggan,
Texas State College for Women,
Denton, Texas.

Dear Miss Duggan:

Thank you for your kind letter of March 19th. I regret that it will be impossible for us to attend the New Orleans convention this month. We have had to release our Dr. Elbel for war service, and this of necessity entails extra work for those of us remaining.

I was pleased to serve on your committee, but sorry that the war has interrupted the plans so that I am unable to get to the convention.

With best wishes for your continued success, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
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March 19, 1942

Dear Doctor Allen:

The time for our annual Convention is drawing near--scarcely four weeks off--and with it my term of office as your President will come to a close. This has been a happy year for me despite the present crisis and the many crucial problems we have had to face as an Association. I feel, however, that we have all done our best, and I know that we shall all continue to give our best.

This is to thank you for serving as a member of the Committee on Student Section. I was proud to recommend you to the Board of Directors, and we are looking forward to seeing the report and reviewing the recommendations made by you and by other members of this Committee.

I am looking forward to seeing you in New Orleans next month during our Convention--April 15th through 18th. Now is the time--more than ever before--for us to meet together in order to pool our best thinking in an effort to solve the many problems facing us during the emergency as a profession.

I have enjoyed working with you during the year, and I appreciate the cooperation you have given to me as President of the American Association for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation and to Miss Bourquardez as Chairman of the Committee on Student Section.

Most cordially,

Nancy Duggan

Anne Schley Duggan
President

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

Hello! This is the time! We still remember happy times to K. U.

April 11, 1942.

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

Dear Stuart:

My letter written yesterday probably reached you after you had mailed the books. They arrived this morning in good shape, and I appreciate your returning them. I trust they served your purpose.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

FCA:AH

April 10, 1942.

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

Dear Stuart:

I dislike to bother you, but I am wondering if you have finished with the two basketball books that we loaned you. I know how quickly time passes when you are busy, and how easy it is to let things slip by. If you have finished with the books we would appreciate your returning them at your early convenience. I assure you it was a pleasure for us to loan them to you.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

March 25, 1942.

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

Dear Stuart:

In reply to your letter of the 23rd instant, I am glad to send you some material that we have available on the development of the game of basketball.

Under separate cover I am mailing you my personal copy of "Basketball" by Dr. James Naismith, and also a copy of my book, "Better Basketball", which is the property of the K. U. Athletic Association. I would appreciate the early return of both of these books. #2

Also, I am enclosing a copy of an article I wrote in 1929 for the Athletic Journal on "The International Growth of Basketball", and also a copy of my report to the Olympic Committee on Basketball.

In the two books I am sending I am sure you will get a lot of data on the development and changes in the game. I trust this will get the job done for you.

Sorry you didn't get to see our games Friday and Saturday nights.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

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THE SALINA JOURNAL

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March 23,1942

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

Dear Doc:

This is a direct appeal for help.

The Salina Chamber of Commerce has decided to streamline its annual banquet for Kansas Wesleyan, Salina Hi and Sacred Heart players to the extent that the appropriation is spread to take in all of the A and B squads, with none of the dough-ri-me going to the usual imported speaker---- leaving me as the speaking nominee. I took the bid thinking I might entertain with a 20-30 minute summary of the development of basketball, but after looking for material in our public library and other available sources I find that is more than I can handle.

Do you have at hand books,pamphlets,articles and such in which I might trace the rule changes, the pivot, the dribble, the evolution of the ball,and the jillion other changes which have been made through the year. And if you do would it be too great an imposition to ask for the lending of these, with my promise of a safe and speedy return?

Congratulations on your ousting of the Ibaites, which I saw, and thoroughly enjoyed. Sorry about the loss to Colorado, but since K.U. couldn't win I'm rather glad I got sent to Hays to broadcast from the State A tourney after having made plans to attend the NCAA western.

Yours,

Stuart Dunbar

Banquet is
March 31, which
is all too near.
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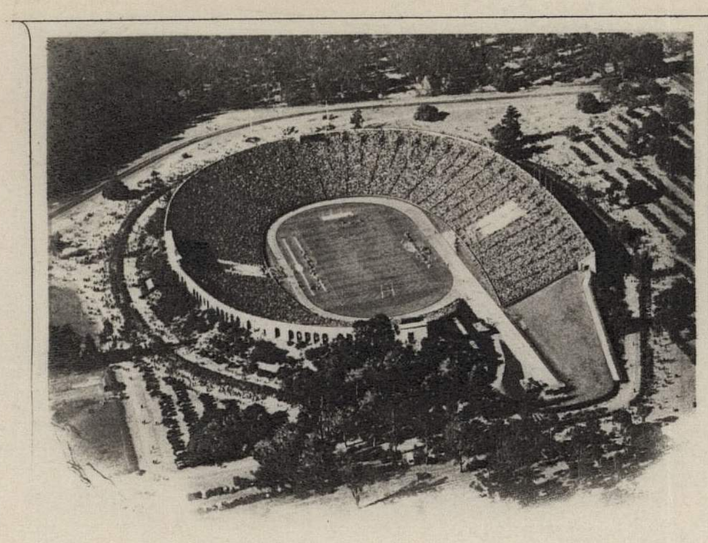

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STANFORD UNIVERSITY · CALIFORNIA
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OFFICE OF GENERAL MANAGER April 14, 1942

Mr. Forrest C. Allen
Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence , Kansas

Dear Phog:

Thanks so much for your very fine letter. I shall convey your good words to the boys and Dr. Davies.

A few days ago at one of our baseball games I sat with Pete and, of course, conveyed your best wishes to him. I told him about that fine hospitality we ran into at Lawrence and who was responsible for it, etc. Pete thought that was all right and John Bunn was also interested in knowing the faculty people who attended the luncheon. John sends his regards.

Thanking you again, Phog, for your unsurpassed hospitality and with every good wish for the future, I am

Sincerely yours,

Everett S. Dean

Everett S. Dean
Director of Basketball

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Schedules and arrangements for games not official until confirmed by General Manager.
Address all communications to Box 3006, Stanford University.

April 23, 1942.

Coach Walter Dingus,
Fort Scott Junior College,
Fort Scott, Kansas.

Dear Coach Dingus:

It was nice to see you and Coach Steele and Coach McMurray at Fort Scott yesterday, and we appreciate your convoying us around, even to showing us our places at the luncheon table.

I am enclosing a copy of the Big Six rules and regulations, with paragraphs marked on pages 8, 9 and 13. I thought you might wish to have it for your own reference, and you might let the young man see the rules which particularly applied to Gerald Tucker.

Also, under separate cover, I am mailing you fifty copies of our booklet containing instructions for students desiring to major in Physical Education. Distribute them as you see fit. If you want more copies we will be glad to send them to you.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

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Enc.

April 27, 1942.

Mr. Ernesto Rivera Duran,
Colegio de Boyaca,
Tunja, Boyaca,
Colombia, S.A.

Dear Mr. Duran:

I regret exceedingly that I have failed to answer your favor of April 12th sooner.

The finals of the National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball games for last were won by the University of Wisconsin when they defeated Washington State College, in Kansas City. The year before, in 1940, Kansas defeated Southern California for the Western championship of the N.C.A.A., and Indiana defeated us in the finals.

These pictures are not as clear as they should be. I believe if you will write to Harold G. Olsen, Basketball Coach of Ohio State University, at Columbus, Ohio, that he can procure the N.C.A.A. finals films for you and will be happy to send them to you without much expense. Mr. Olsen is manager of the N.C.A.A. tournament games.

Again please accept my apology in not answering your communication sooner. Our war work has dislocated much of our schedule.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation.
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

FCA:AH

Tunja,
April 12,1942

Dr.Forrest Allen
University of Kansa
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:-

We are desirous of obtaining films of last years National Intercollegiate Basketball Finals between Kansas and Southern California as well as films of the finals of this year.

Kindly send us the address of the firm selling these pictures and if it is possible their selling price.

Thaking you for the courtesy this letter may merit,I am

Yours truly,

E. Rivera Duran

Ernesto Rivera Duran
Colegio de Boyaca
Tunja, Boyaca
C O L O M B I A

P.S. We appreciate very much if you answer by Air-mail

April 29, 1942.

Mr. Donald Davenport,
Rural Route #3,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Donald:

In reply to your letter of April 16th, I am happy to send you a copy of the booklet we have for all our students desiring to major in Physical Education. I am sure that you will find some helpful information in this booklet.

At the present time, in the Army and Navy they are accepting for Officers' Training men with physical education majors. That is, they may secure a B. S. degree in Education with a major in Physical Education. Before the war there were only three schools - Springfield College and two specialized schools - who offered a major in Physical Education. Now we have three hundred schools offering this work. As a result these boys are now going into the Army, Navy and Marines to be physical directors.

If you have any further questions I shall be glad to hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

Rural Route # 3
Kansas City mo.
apr. 16, 1942.

Mr. Phog allen
Kansas University.
Lawrence, Kansas.

In my Civics class we are making vocational notebooks and I have chose coaching as an occupation on which I am makeing a notebook, and I would like to have you answer some questions. First what is your opinion of the advantages of coaching, what education and experience it takes and what ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ physical and mental capacities are required to be succesful.

Thank you very much,
Donald Davenport.

May 6, 1942.

Captain E. B. DeGroot, Jr.,
Director of Physical Training,
Headquarters Fourth Air Force,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Burt:

It was a great pleasure to receive your interesting letter of April 27. Mrs. Allen received a lovely letter from Ruth - we were delighted to hear from both of you.

Our daughter Mary (not Jane, who lives in Chicago) has recently returned from California. Her husband, Lee "Pete" Hamilton is being transferred from Louisville, Ky., to the Pacific Coast, and Mary has been out there selecting a home for the family. She found a place at Carmel-by-the-Sea, and has now gone back to Louisville to get things ready to move. I sincerely hope that you and the Hamiltons may get together occasionally.

Dr. Elbel left for the service about the middle of March. He was temporarily stationed at Tulsa, but at the present time is at St. Louis. The campus is thinning out very perceptibly when we look for the male members of the families. Yes, Jim Hitt was called, and Lawrence Woodruff, of the Entomology Department, has taken his place as acting registrar. Lee Gemmell, of the Extension Division, has gone, and Wm. H. Shannon, of the School of Business, received orders for duty in the Seventh Naval District.

Horace Mason, our publicity director, has gone to the Great Lakes Naval Station, and in our own department Ed Hall, Cliff Nordstrom, and Steve Meade, as well as Carl Jessup, have gone with Tunney's division in Norfolk, Va. John Pfitsch is to be inducted next Wednesday. So you can see that our ranks are thinning out. Henry Shenk and I took over Ed Elbel's classes when he left, and this in addition to appointment on several faculty committees has made our work rather heavy.

The University authorities anticipate a decrease in enrollment of at least 12%, and it may be more. The Summer Session, however, will be well attended, I believe.

The faculty volley ball games are going good every Wednesday afternoon. The men are very enthusiastic about this recreation period.

I am enclosing a copy of the University Daily Kansans of April 28, which carries a story on your statements regarding physical conditioning. I thought you would be interested in reading this.

I would enjoy very much an opportunity to sit down and chew the fat with you. I hope the next time you make a cross-country trip that you will be able to stop off at Lawrence for a visit with us.

With kindest regards and best wishes to you and Ruth and your family, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

HEADQUARTERS FOURTH AIR FORCE
Office of the Director of Physical Training
San Francisco, California

April 27, 1942

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

Dear Doc:

This letter has been due for a long time. The press of work since the first of the year, however, has caused me to neglect personal correspondence.

I was very happy to hear that all our p. e. majors finally did obtain jobs; they were a deserving, capable group of boys. I believe they will always be a credit to the physical education department and to the University, whatever they do.

A casual note from Elbel requesting some information about our program was the manner in which I found out that he had left K. U.! Indirectly I have also heard that Jim Hitt was called in. I suppose many more have gone. My immediate concern, when I heard from Elbel, was for you and Henry Shenk. It must be a terrific load on both of you to carry the entire departmental teaching load. I do hope you don't exhaust yourselves completely.

Saturday, at the California-Standord baseball game, I saw and talked to your brother, who, as you probably know, was recently promoted to the rank of full colonel. He looks fine and is doing a swell job with the Stanford ROTC unit. He is immensely popular with the students.

Mary + Pete Hamilton

He told us about Jane and her husband coming out here. We are looking forward to seeing them very much. Ruth and I both hope that Jane's coming out will entice both you and Mrs. Allen into a trip out this way this summer. We would love to see both of you. Ruth will be only too glad to help Jane find a house--and that isn't easy right now in this area! We are living down near Palo Alto and I believe your brother said that Jane wants to live somewhere down the Peninsula also.

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I suppose K. U.'s enrollment will be hard hit by the war, along with all other schools. That will probably mean that physical education majors will be practically eliminated from the department. But the type of thing I mentioned in my talk needs to be done in <u>every</u> school and college for <u>every</u> student. Maybe those academicians back

there will now admit that physical education does have a very important place in the life, and the preservation of the life, of the country.

Congratulations on your swell basketball season, Doc! That was great. If you have just a few of those boys back next year, I'm sure you'll go all the way to the national championship. Needless to say, I enjoyed seeing Stanford play several times, and was pleased the way they went thru the tournament.

I was in Washington, D. C. on December 7th and had planned a stopover at K. U. on the way home. But I received orders on December 8th to report back immediately to Riverside. Our headquarters have been in San Francisco since January.

I better close this letter before it becomes a book. Perhaps we can have a good bull session before this year is over. Better come out to California this summer. We have a lovely place down the peninsula with plenty of room. We would certainly like to have you stay with us there.

Please give my best regards to all the members of your family and to my friends on the faculty.

Yours sincerely,

Burt.

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