

September 27, 1938.

Mr. W. A. Dill,
Journalism Bldg.,
University of Kansas.

Dear Mr. Dill:

I just wanted to remind you that we should like a feature story in the Kansan some time soon on the decoration of the swimming pool, and also on the grading of the intramural field. I gave some of this to Jim Bell but as yet have seen nothing in the Kansan.

The work on the intramural field is drawing to a close, and I thought it would be well to have some accurate mention of this project in the Kansan.

Incidentally, you might be interested in the fact that I have had an inquiry about the book, "Better Basketball" from J.N.B. Singh, Palace Sakti, India. It looks like the royalty in a foreign country are basketball-minded. Also, it might be of interest to you to know that the athletic director of the Mississippi School for the Deaf, at Jackson, Miss., has recently purchased a copy of the book.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

September 26, 1938.

Professor W. A. Dill,
Department of Journalism,
University of Kansas.

Dear Mr. Dill:

I have waited long enough to send you this \$20.00, and I thank you for the information and inspiration and cooperation that I gained from you in regard to this article for The Rotarian.

I am sending this check today because I am reminded of the fact that pay day is not until Saturday, at least, and maybe the gasoline is low in the tank.

With appreciation, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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October 3, 1938

Mr. Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawerence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

Yours of September 27 has been received and before I go any farther I want to sincerely thank you both on behalf of Mr. McCarter, our Director of Athletics, and Coach Cowles as well extend my own appreciation for your thoughtful consideration of our needs. This unsolicited offer of aid is real hospitality and being from the South I really appreciate it.

At present our plans for this trip have only begun to take form, and while we are looking for a place to stop over and practice en route, it is too early, pending railroad routes, accommodations and whatnot, to map out a definite itinerary at this time.

However, I assure you that it will be my pleasure to keep your kind offer in mind when I do definitely decide upon an itinerary.

Thanking you again for your very very kind offer, I am

Sincerely yours,

Lloyd Noland Jr.

Lloyd Noland Jr.
Mgr. of Basketball

LN/RJM

October 4, 1938.

Elwyn, Maxine and Sherryl Dees,
218 Lincoln Avenue,
Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Dear Family Friends Dees:

The fact, Elwyn, that you wrote on September 12 looks very much like we did not appreciate your kind epistle. Nothing could be further from the truth because I enjoyed it very, very much.

I passed on the word to Mrs. Allen regarding your kind invitation, but I am not sure that she will be able to get away. However, she wishes to thank you very much, and maybe the fever will lure her if Bob has good luck and makes the squad; I mean the starting squad, of course. This is very doubtful in my mind because Bob is young and has a lot to learn to steady him down. He is very eager and will make a dandy boy some day, but I am afraid that lack of experience may cause his mother to think that the basketball coach is not giving him all the breaks. And too, Bob is carrying 17 hours, 5 hours of which are chemistry with a lot of lab. So I have a notion that he is not going to be in as good physical shape as some of the boys who spend a lot of time just playing basketball.

Any way, we are meeting tonight at 7:30 to discuss our prospects and we will start to work a couple or three times a week. Golay and Swede are working for Dean down at the sheds, and of course they will not be able to practice in the afternoon. That means that we will practice a part of the group in the afternoon and the other group in the evening.

I should have mentioned beforehand that Dean landed the job. There are a lot of angles that I will tell you about that will not go into the letter-writing phase. I understand Tiny is working down at the shed too, but I have not seen him as yet. I have been very busy with my physical education work, committee meetings, and the like, and have not had the chance to get down to see the boys practice, and of course have not had a chance to see Tiny. The same situation that caused you some vexations, I understand, is causing other people the same sort of distraction. We will talk about more pleasant things, now.

I am glad that Sherryl is continuing to command the main attention of the Dees household and that she is adding calories and weight to her good looks. I can just appreciate how the focus of the entire Dees household is centered around the young lady. She will be giving you directions for a good many years, young man. I

can just hear her drawl in that southern accent to some good looking Oklahoman or Texan, when she tells him that he has a swell head. "Oh, Ah think yo' bettah get an i'on baind and put it around yo' haid." Now, wouldn't that sound good down South?

Now, the next most pleasant thing is the golf game. All last week I didn't get to play a single time, but Sunday I went out and played with my neighbor, Trembley. He had to buy the drinks, and I shot a very good game.

It has been intensely dry down here, but I understand rain is on the way from the Pacific Coast. It will land here about Wednesday and by Saturday when we play Washburn it ought to be at the height of its precipitation.

Last Saturday morning I drove to McPherson, Kansas, to attend a meeting of the Kansas Health and Physical Education Association Council meeting. I am chairman of the radio publicity committee for the year for the Association, so we had to meet with the men and lady folk. I believe that we are going to get along o.k. - at least we will try to shock them through the ether waves.

Now, about football. I wrote George Nettels this morning in regard to a special edition of the Pittsburg, Kansas, Headlight which was put out showing the largest power steam shovel in the world in operation on the Pittsburg Coal Mining Company location down there. In closing I asked him to bring the power shovel up here and run it across the football field once.

Now, we will talk about hotel facilities at Stillwater. Thank you for giving me the dope on the Grand Hotel. Will you be kind enough to drop in the other hotels and see what you consider the best of the three? Or is there anything better than the Grand? I will not fuss about the doubling up of beds. But you let me know what you think is the best proposition, and I will follow your advice. Thank you for going as far as you have.

I imagine that you have been having a rather tough go because I have been watching your team's success, and I am hopeful that things turn out well for you. I am glad that you are pleased with your job. I know that you have a fine staff to work with. Of course when you get the new building it will be great. I am glad to know that the field house, or rather the 4H building, is going along splendidly. We will do the best we can to pack in folks to cover those 9,000 seats. That will be a dandy turn-out. Of course, that is a lot of people, Elwy, and they will have to come from all corners of the state if they are going to fill the 9,000 seats.

Now, commenting on the second paragraph of what you had to say on the second sheet. You perhaps will not recall it, but these six words that I am going to repeat will perhaps be elucidation enough for you to know what you said previously. The six words are: "He will have to show me". Now, guess the rest of the puzzle, mister.

With all good wishes to you and your good family, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College

STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA

218 Lincoln Ave

Tuesday, Sept. 12th

Dear Dr. Allen,

We are very sorry not to have written sooner, but you know how busy a person is trying to get settled in a new job and a new home at the same time. However we are getting pretty well straightened out now. As you know I was in Oklahoma City for two weeks in August helping Coach Cox with the All Star game. Coach Cox had the boys from northern Oklahoma and Tom Stidham from the southern part. The game turned out very successfully with a victory for us by a score of 20-0 (You know how I like to beat that O.U. bunch). The stadium at Capitol Hill High School was filled to capacity with something over 7000 people attending. The Oklahoma High School Athletic Association cleared at least \$1500 on the game.

I am very well pleased with my job here, have a very nice staff to work with. They really appreciate the value of a trainer around their boys. As you know, the facilities for a training room around an old gymnasium are quite inadequate but nevertheless I have been able to take care of the boys in good shape so far. Old injuries from years previous that were not taken care of are causing me the most difficulty at the present time., such as bad knees and old Charley horses. It will certainly be a pleasure when the new field house is finished and I can step into a well equipped training room.

Football practice started last Saturday and scrimmaged the first day, but the boys were out being conditioned under my supervision from the first of September. Our first game will be here September 17th with Central Teachers of Oklahoma. We have a very nice squad out, numbering about fifty boys. The boys seem to be very appreciative for my working with them. If we don't meet up with too many injury casualties we should have a fair year considering our tough schedule. As you probably know we meet Arkansas next week and Baylor the week following that.

You asked me inquire about hotel facilities in Stillwater. Doc, I don't care about recommending any of the hotels here because they aren't very good. The Grand Hotel seems to be the best. The price they quoted to me was \$1.00 per man per night and have only double beds in their hotel. I will drop in at the other two hotels in the near future and get their prices.

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STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA

Our new field house, or rather 4H building, is certainly going to be a fine one when it is finished. Everyone here thinks that the 9000 seats will be filled when you and your Jayhawker team invade our campus.

I have been noticing in the Daily Oklahoman that Mr. Lindsay is expecting to have a wonderful football team this year. He will have to show me.

I have often wondered who they finally decided to put in my place. When I left, Dean though he had the job sewed up and Mr. Hutchins told me that Tiny was expecting to work there this fall. Well I hope whoever got the job will be successful.

The family (Sherryl) is getting along fine and at 7 weeks tipped the scales at 11 lbs. 2 oz. (Must be taking after her Pa) Of course to our prejudiced eyes she gets cuter every day. Will probably grow up to talk with a southern accent if we are in this part of the country very long.

Give our regards to Mrs. Allen and your family and best wishes for your coming season.

Sincerely yours,

*Elyse & Martin
& Sherryl.*

P.S. How is the golf game?

See Mr. Allen that I am counting on her coming with you & the team to pay us a visit.

November 1, 1938.

Mr. John Doyle,
American Publishing Co.,
115 Fulton Street,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Doyle:

Thanks for your card of October 27 with the clipping regarding Whitey Budrunas who was mentioned as returning from Lithuania where he was athletic director of the University of Kansas.

They do have a state over there with a name similar to Kansas - I think it may be Kansias, or something like that.

Cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

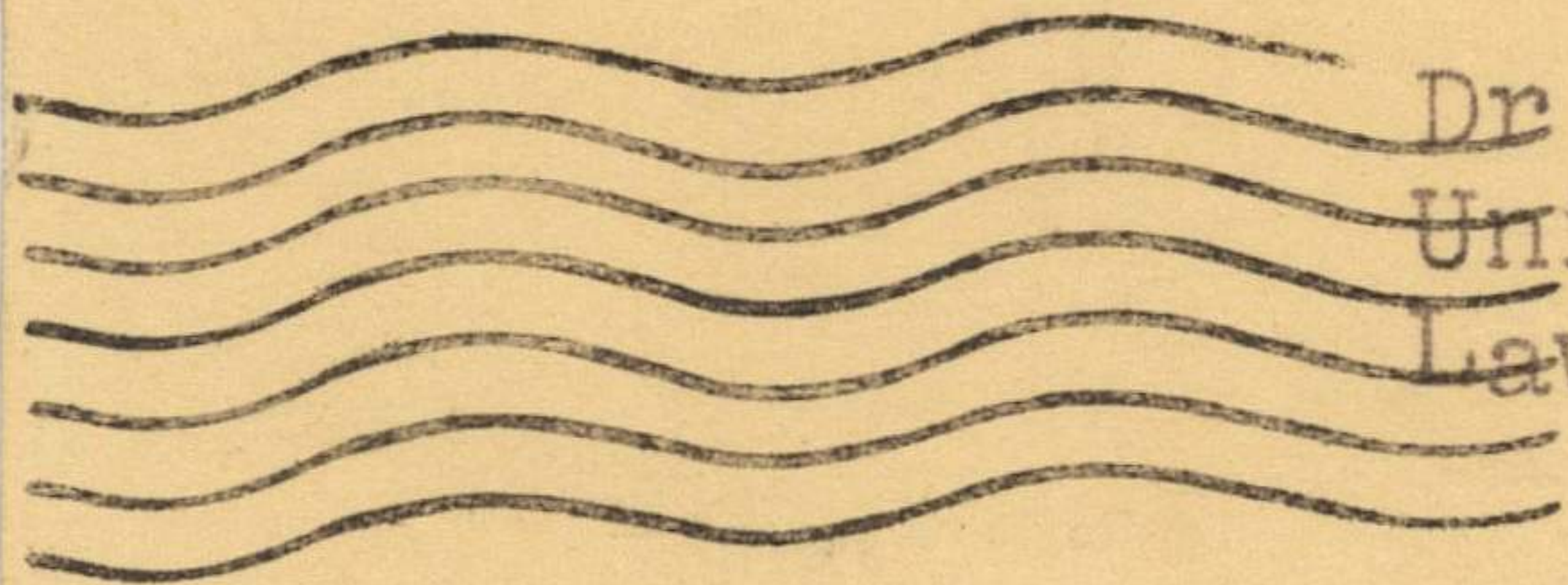
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Back From European Job.

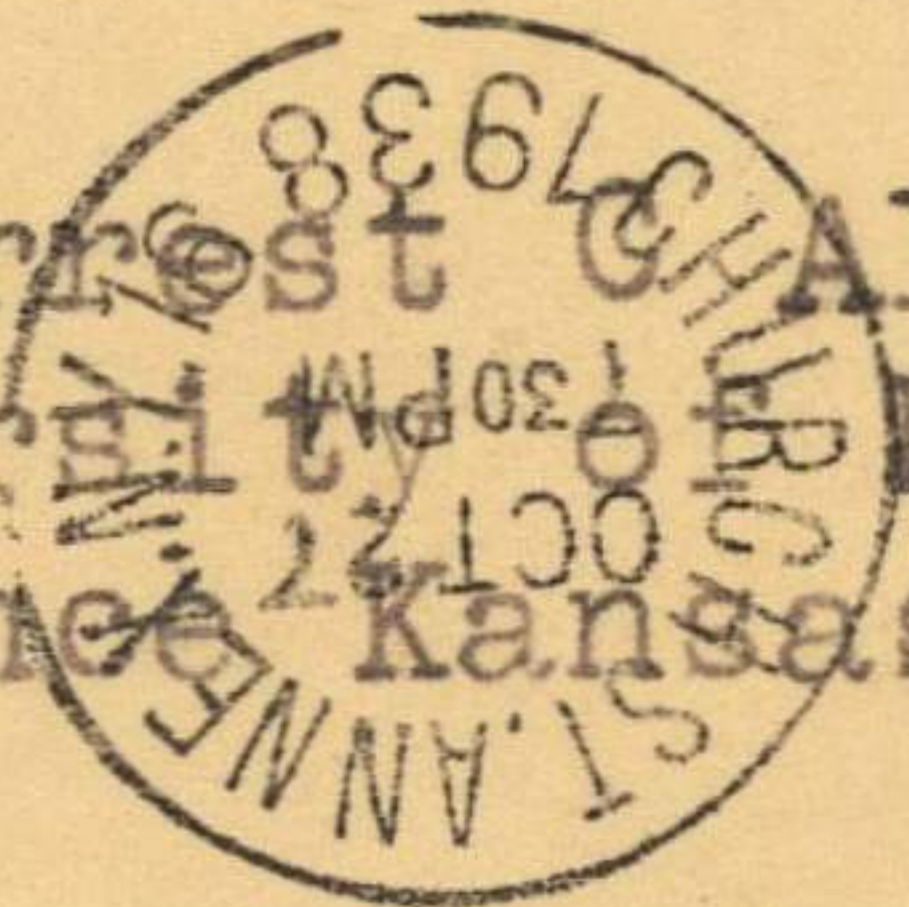
Whitey Budrunas, former basketball star at Marquette, has returned from Lithuania, where he was athletic director of the University of Kansas.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS



Dr Forrest C. Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence Kansas



— Oct 27

My dear Dr Allen

So that's where the University of
Kansas is situated?

John Doyle

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Asst. General Passenger Agent

Topeka, Kansas, October 17th, 1938.

In Reply Please Mention File X-12-6.

Subject: Dartmouth College Basketball Team:

Dr. F. C. Allen,
Dir. of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, K a n s a s.

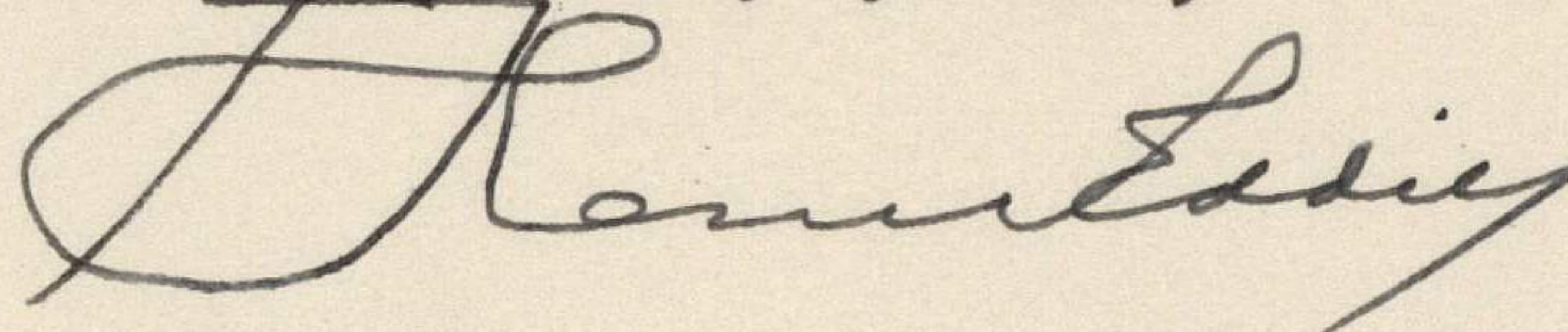
Dear Dr. Allen:

Yours of September 26th to me and copy of your letter same date to Mr. T.V. Noland, Manager Dartmouth College Basketball Team, have just come to my personal attention, and regret to note that acknowledgment of receipt thereof has not been made, for which please accept my apology.

Your spirit of cooperation in this and other matters, I assure you, is thoroughly appreciated.

With personal regards,

Sincerely yours,





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

Dear Sir:

I recently purchased a copy of your book "Better Basket Ball" and consider it the most up to date and best of information one is able to secure on the subject of basket ball, and your apoligizes certainly would not be in order as the book seems to be perfect and all subjects admirably covered.

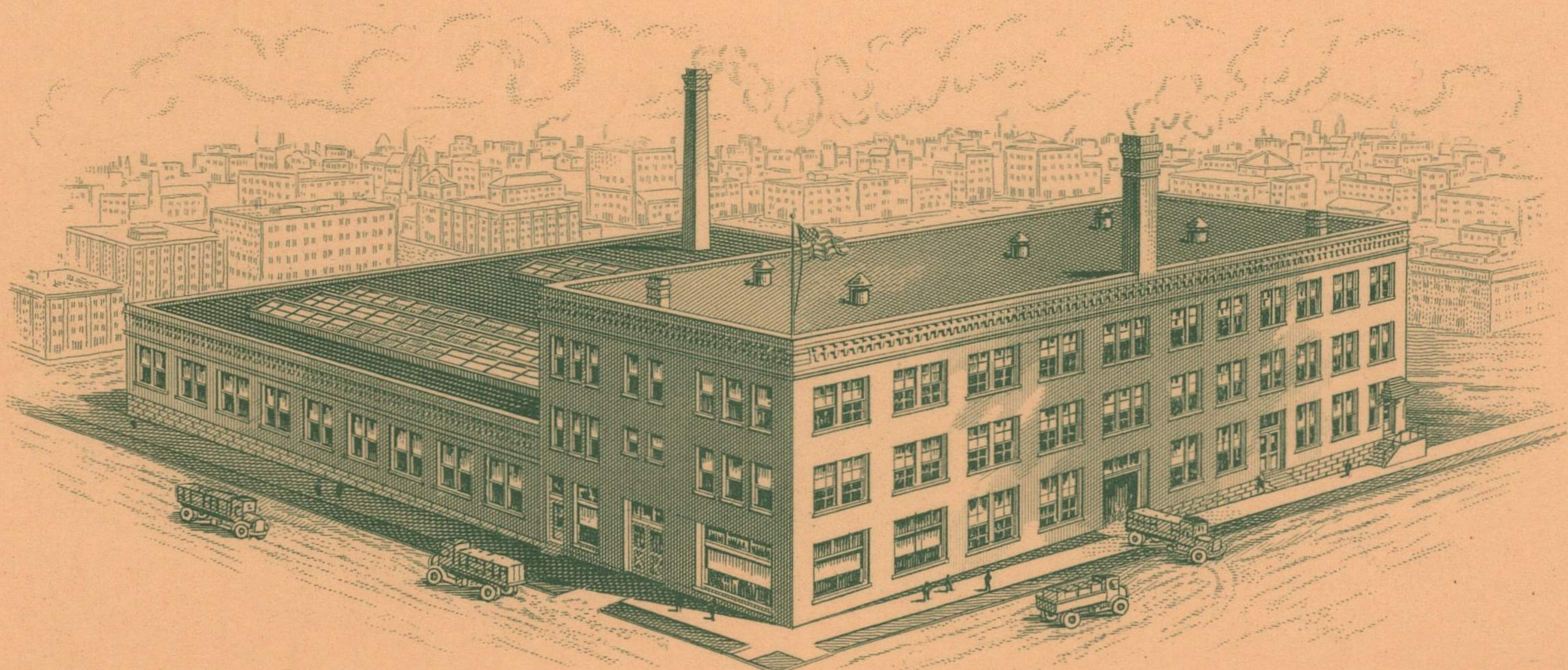
We are manufacturers of our ALL-AMERICAN Scoreboards and in order that you may know something about them we are enclosing folders. In case you are further interested will be glad to hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Chas. R. Decker, Pres.

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October 26, 1938.

Mr. Charles R. Decker,
Decker Manufacturing Co.,
Keokuk, Iowa.

Dear Mr. Decker:

Thank you for your kind letter of the 22nd instant. I am glad to know that you have a copy of "Better Basketball", and appreciate your comments on the book.

Thank you, also, for sending the folders on the All-American Scoreboards. I am glad to know something about them.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

November 23, 1938.

Mr. Blevins Davis,
Hotel Sevilla,
117 West 58th Street,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Brother Davis:

Brother Dean Nesmith told me of the fine visit that he had with you on his way west after the Kansas team had played in Washington. Dean told me of your angle on radio broadcasting and it thrilled me very much. I would appreciate it if I could be put on the mailing list of any of your broadcast periodicals, as I am intensely interested in the broadcasting possibilities for our Department of Physical Education.

Each Thursday evening from 6 to 6:15 for the past two years I have been conducting a broadcast on "Physical Education for Health". I am passing on to you the last three or four of these broadcasts that we have had so that you can see about what we are doing. I would like your suggestions if you have time as to how we can improve our set up.

I am also sending you a copy of our University of Kansas Newsletter which sets forth our publicity for our first clinic in basketball on the afternoon of December 3, and for our opening game that night. This includes our schedule and other interesting data regarding our basketball team which I thought would perhaps interest you.

I believe you mentioned the fact that we have Glenn Cunningham, Dr. Naismith and other athletic personalities here that we might legitimately capitalize on over the radio. We have used Dr. Naismith and Glenn a number of times, but I want your angle to see if we are missing anything.

The Allens often talk of you, and we are sorry that we could not have had a visit with you while you were out west. This boy of ours, Bobby, is a sophomore now, although the cut in the newsletter shows him as a freshman. We just assembled last year's cuts and ran them in the newsletter. It was so early we did not have time to do otherwise, but at least you will get an outline of some of the physiognomies of these animated cartoons.

With all good wishes, I am

Faternally yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

December 5, 1938.

Mrs. Vera B. Droom,
1230 Mississippi St.,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Droom:

Since receiving mid-semester reports on our freshman basketball players, as well as the boys who are doing work for us, I thought it well to write you about Dave. As you probably know, he was failing in ten hours of his work at mid-semester.

I am informed that Professor Crawford suggested that Dave has been urged to come in for conference, but that he has not done so.

Our regulation for all basketball players, varsity and freshmen, is that they must maintain at least a "C" average in their studies in order to be eligible to play. Their primary purpose is, of course, to make progress toward graduation. If the boys are devoting too much time to outside activities, such as athletic competition or work, we suggest that they drop some of these activities until they are up in their class work. We felt that Dave needed to spend more time with his books.

I am sure you will understand my position. We are trying to help the boys help themselves. If I can be of any service to you and Dave at any time I assure you it will be a pleasure.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Mid-semester report on David Droom

Unith
Mrs. B.

*English History - 5 hrs. - F

Zoology - 5 hrs. - F

*Prof. Crawford says that he has not reported for conference although he has been urged to do so many times.

Dave is enrolled in 2 hours of English in addition to the above 10 hours.

November 23, 1938.

Mr. Bruce Drake,
Coach of Basketball,
University of Oklahoma,
Norman, Oklahoma.

Dear Bruce:

The University of Kansas is to play Texas at Austin on December 16 and 17, and Southern Methodist University on the 19th and 20th. On our way back from Dallas we would like to stop at Norman and work out on your court either on the 21st or 22nd of December.

Our plans may change so that will be impossible, but I am wondering if you could arrange it to have us use the court if we can make definite arrangements. I thought I would write you early so that you would have time to plan. When are your boys leaving for their Christmas vacation?

Of course I will see you in Kansas City on December 2nd when our coaches meet on interpretations. I am sending you one of our newsletters which gives our set up for a clinic game here on December 3. We would be glad to have you stop by to witness our outfit in action, and also to take in our clinic game.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

December 2, 1938.

Mr. Elwyn Dees,
Athletic Association,
Oklahoma A. & M. College,
Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Dear Elwyn:

This is just a note to acknowledge receipt of your fine letter of the 29th ultimo. I am off to Kansas City tonight for the Big Six basketball coaches meeting and rules discussion. Then I come back tomorrow at noon to conduct our clinic in the afternoon.

I am getting off a letter this afternoon making reservations at the Hotel Grand. Thanks for the information you sent me regarding the facilities.

I expect to write you more later, but just at the moment I am swamped with a mass of details.

With best wishes to you, Maxine and Sherryl, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College

STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA

November 29, 1938

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

Dear Doc;

Due to the fact that I have scarcely been able to call my time my own during the past several weeks, my correspondence has been sadly neglected and it is with regret that I have not answered your very welcome letter much sooner.

There is very little that I can mention about our past season here in football, except that it has been plenty tough on me. You know that a losing football team always results in a great number of injuries. Sometimes it kept me going nearly day and night to have the boys ready for the next game, but I believe that my work so far has proved very satisfactory. Here is hoping that we have a better season in basket ball and not so many injuries.

You have probably read in the papers that Ted Cox, head football coach here, has resigned. Coach Cox is a very fine man to work with and for that reason it is with regret that I see him leave. I only hope that the succeeding coach is as fine to work with as Mr. Cox.

Upon further inquiry as to the hotel facilities here, I find that the Going Hotel would not make me any prices and would not promise to make reservations ahead of time. I am sure that the only hotel you would care to use for your players is the Grand Hotel. The other one, Stillwater Hotel, is not even a second rate hotel and the facilities are terrible. As I said before, the Grand Hotel will accommodate the players for a dollar a head. While it is not the best in the world, it gets most of the tourist trade and I am sure is the only one you would care to use.

I have tried to follow the Kansas Football team as closely as possible this year, and it is quite clear in my mind that they could also use a new varsity football coach. It seems to me that they should have won more

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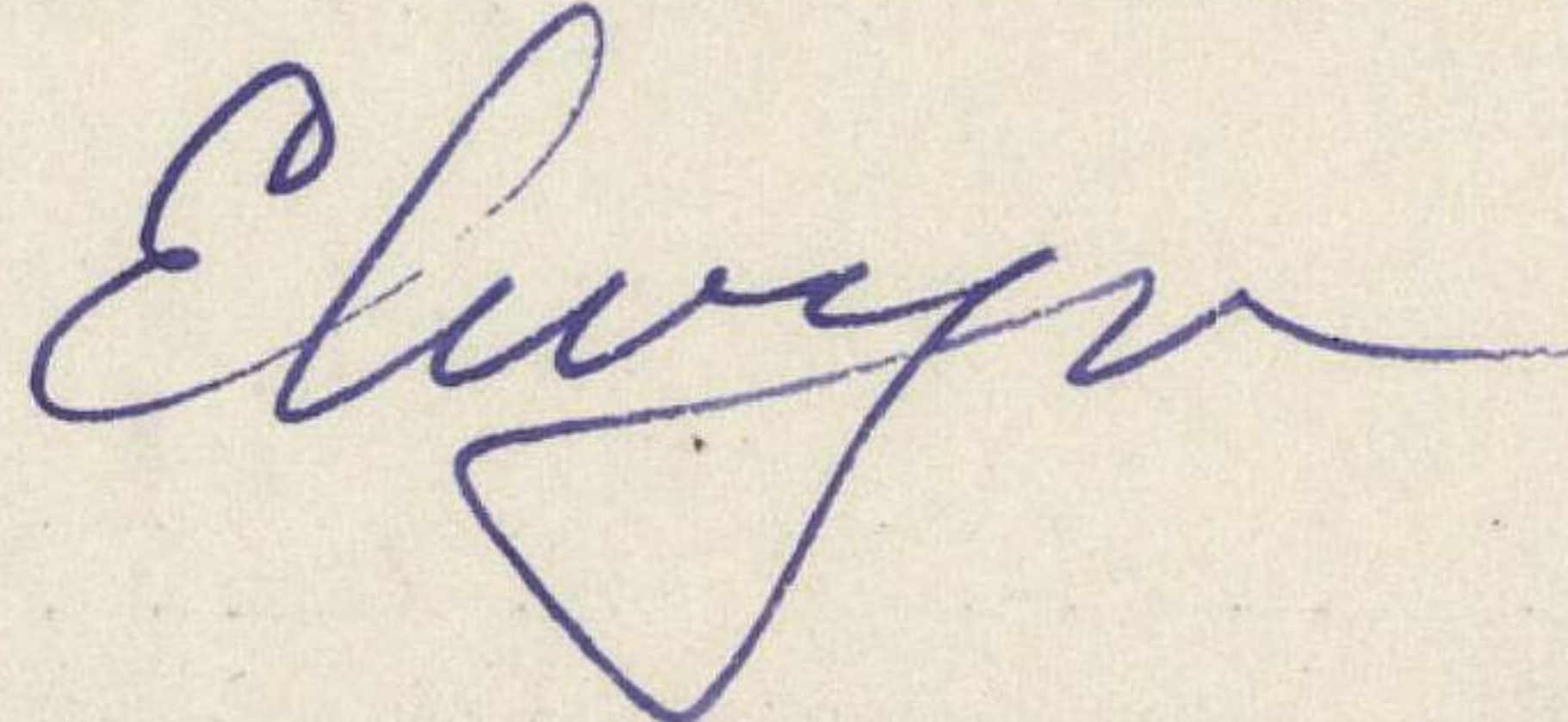
STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA

games with the great material that he had despite the great number of injuries. I am very sorry to hear that Miller received a knee injury which I hear may keep him out of part of the basket ball season. I hope that this report is erroneous. After you fought the battle to get him at K.U. it is a shame that he has received a football injury before you had the chance to show what his basket ball achievement could be.

My wife and family are getting along fine and we want you to come out and have a visit with us while you are here for your games so that we can hash over the events that have occurred since our golfing this past summer. Maxine says to tell Mrs. Allen that she had better decide she owes herself the trip down here; ^{she} would be most happy to have her visit us.

Will be seeing you in a little over a week.

Very sincerely yours,



END:MD

I apologize for the typing, think it must be working of the typewriter, not that of its operator. Maxine

THE DENVER CHEMICAL MFG. CO.

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NEW YORK, N. Y.

Dec. 2, 1938.

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

Dear Sir:

Last year we issued for the first time the Antiphlogistine "All Sports" Calendar which was distributed, free of charge, to a limited number of Coaches, Athletic Directors and Trainers throughout the country.

The many responses commending us for our efforts in publishing a calendar of real interest, has prompted us to have printed a new edition for 1939.

If you received a calendar last year and were pleased with it we invite you to write for the new calendar which will be mailed during December. We urge you to act promptly in returning the enclosed card as requests will be filled in the order they are received and only while the supply lasts.

With kindest regards, we are

Very truly yours,

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

Thank you for your kind letter and for the radio script which you enclosed.

I will discuss the ideas contained in your letter with Dr. Franklin Dunham, and will write to you as soon as he returns on December 5th.

It seems to me that some of the big milling companies in the middle west would be only too glad to have you and some of your famous men on a regular weekly broadcast.

I will go into more details after discussing this with Dr. Dunham.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Blevins Davis'.

Blevins Davis.

bd/jg

December 15, 1938

Mr. Peter Dolbee,
10521 Cannard Ave.,
West Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Peter:

Thank you for the very fine letter which you sent me recently. I enjoyed it immensely, and am glad that you are finding your college work so interesting.

I also enjoyed the enclosures in your letter. Thank you so much for sending them.

I am sending all of this on to your good grandfather, as I know he will be very happy to hear from you. It will be like a Christmas greeting to him.

With the best of the Yuletide greetings, and all good wishes for your success, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

January 9, 1939.

Mr. Elwyn Deas,
Athletic Association,
Oklahoma A. and M. College,
Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Dear Elwyn:

I am enclosing copy of my letter to Brutus Hamilton. I am always glad to be of any service to you, and shall be happy to follow up when I hear from Brutus.

It was a pleasure to talk with you the other morning.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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