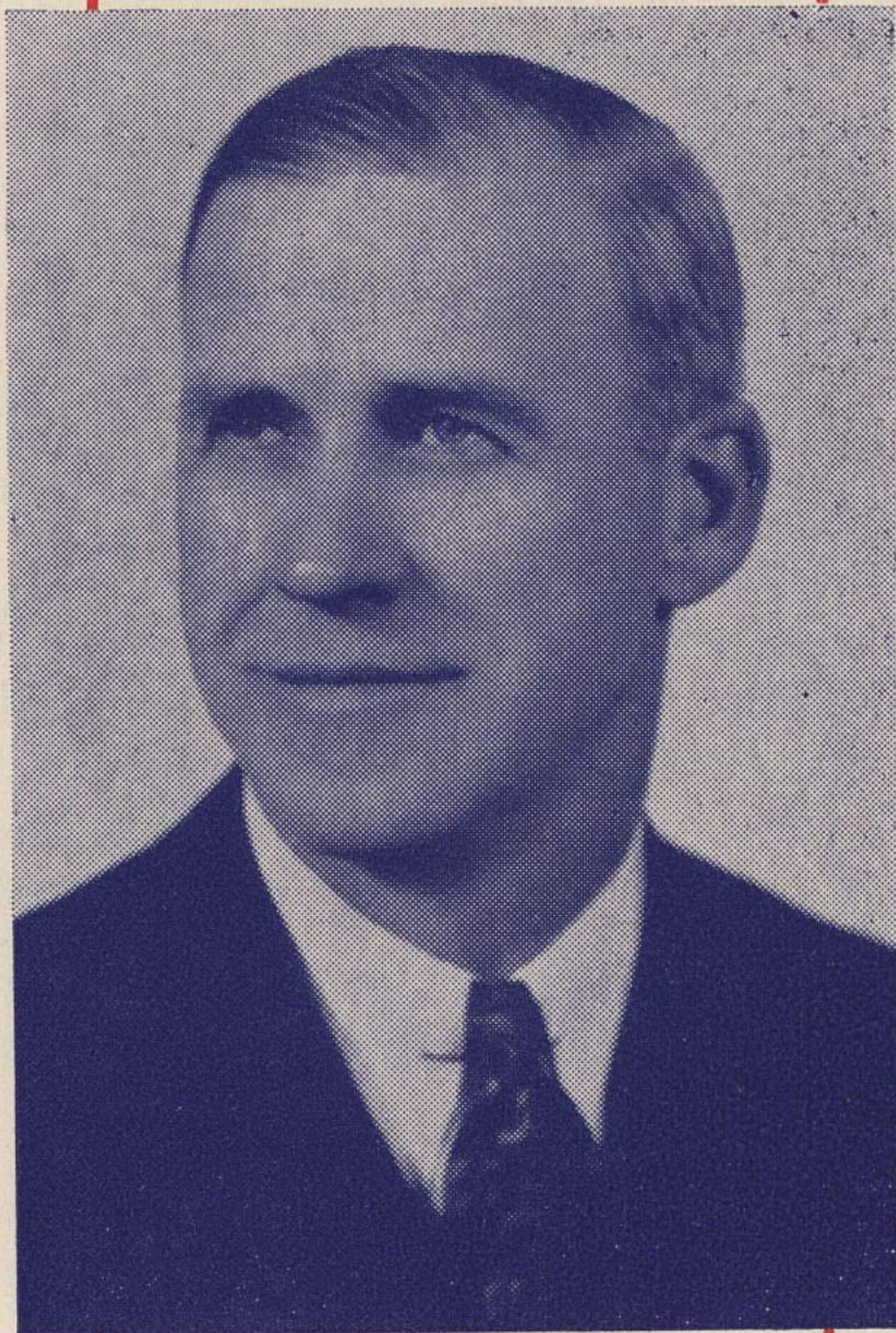


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HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION'S
COACHING SCHOOL AND OFFICIALS' CLINIC

Des Moines "Y" Camp
Boone, Iowa
August 18, 19, 20, 21, 1941



Clark D. Shaughnessy
"Football's 1941
T Formation"

INTRODUCTION

The Iowa High School Athletic Association is presenting for the first time a summer Coaching School and Officials' Clinic. It is the hope of the Association that the high schools of Iowa may be further served by making it possible for their coaches and the men who are to officiate their interscholastic contests next year to have the benefit of the experience and judgment of a corp of teachers who are recognized as the best in their particular field.

We firmly believe that there is no coaching school or officials' clinic being held anywhere in the United States this summer that can boast a greater array of talent than has been assembled here for the benefit of the Iowa High School Coaches and Officials. This particular coaching school offers unlimited opportunity for an exchange of ideas and an extension and a development of professional acquaintances.

We sincerely hope that you will avail yourself of this, your opportunity to hear, see and live with, for a four day period, the men who are regarded by all as the athletic leaders of the nation in their respective fields.

REGISTRATION

Because of limited facilities and in order to meet individual needs the following four classes of registration will be offered for this 1941 Coaching School.

- Class A Registration fee of \$10.00 will be charged to all those enrolling in this class. This registration fee will include your tuition for the entire four day period and also your board and room which will be provided for you at the camp. Only the first 275 applicants for this class of registration can be accepted.
- Class B Registration fee of \$6.00 will be charged and will entitle the registrant to tuition in the school for the entire four day period but will not include board and room.
- Class C Registration fee of \$3.00 will be charged for any single day (including evening) tuition to the school and will not include board.
- Class D Registration fee of \$1.00 will be charged for tuition to any one evening session.

NOTE: Coaches living outside the state of Iowa will be charged an additional 50% on the above prices.

Mail your check with a letter indicating the type of registration you desire to Lyle T. Quinn, Manager, Iowa High School Athletic Association, 1132 Des Moines Building, Des Moines, Iowa, at once. In the event that the Class A registration is closed prior to receiving your check, your money will be refunded to you immediately.

HOW TO REACH THE CAMP

This summer Coaching School and Officials' Clinic will be held at the Des Moines "Y" Camp, located seven (7) miles north of Boone, Iowa, on the Des Moines River. You may reach the camp in the following manner: leave U. S. Highway No. 30 at Story Street in Boone, Iowa, and go north on Story Street through Boone to 22nd Street, turn left and follow the signs to the camp.

The camp can also be reached by the Fort Dodge, Des Moines & Southern Railroad. The railroad provides regular passenger service with stops at the very door of the camp.

SUPPLIES WHICH YOU WILL NEED TO BRING FOR CAMP PERIOD

It will be necessary for you to bring your own bedding. This should consist of at least three (3) pairs of double blankets, sheets or flannel blankets, a pillow. Athletic paraphernalia for swimming, tennis, baseball, etc. The nights are cool in the valley of the Des Moines. Be prepared.

PUBLICATION OF ENROLLMENT

The Iowa High School Athletic Association will publish in its October 1941 Association Bulletin the names and addresses of all coaches and officials who enroll at the school.

PROGRAM

MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 1941

7:15 A. M. to 8:45 A. M.

CHASE LODGE

Registration and assignment to quarters.

8:45 A. M. to 9:00 A. M.

General assembly. An explanation of the method of procedure and a clarification of the general plan of procedure will be made at this time.

FIRST SESSION

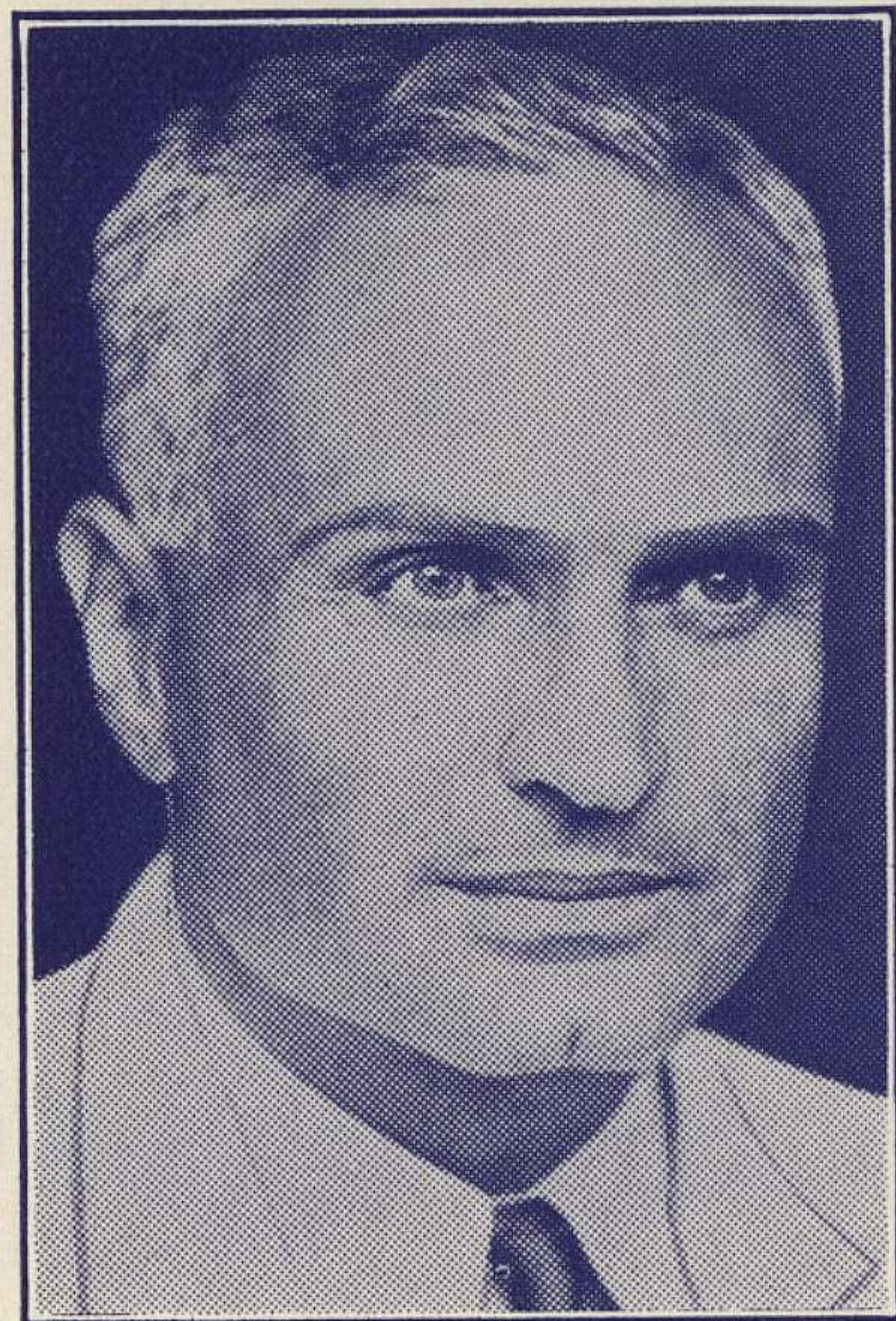
9:00 A. M. to 10:15 A. M.

"Football Fundamentals" by Bernie Bierman, Head Football Coach, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.

10:15 A. M. to 10:45 A. M.

"Ankle Sprains, Treatment and Strapping for Specific Types," by Beryl Taylor, Trainer, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

Demonstrations and individual instruction in the technique of strapping different types of athletic injuries will be given by Beryl Taylor in the Nature Lodge continually.



Bernie Bierman

10:45 A. M. to 11:00 A. M.

"A student Trainer Program for Iowa High Schools" by Bill Frey, Executive Secretary of the National Trainers Association, Iowa City, Iowa.

11:00 A. M. to 12:00 Noon

"Basketball Fundamentals" by Dr. Forrest C. Allen, Director of Physical Education and Recreation, Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.



Dr. Forrest C. Allen

12:00 NOON—LUNCH

SECOND SESSION

CHASE LODGE

1:15 P. M. to 2:45 P. M.

"Football's 1941 T Formation" by Clark D. Shaughnessy, Director of Football, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.



William D. Strictland

2:45 P. M. to 3:15 P. M.

"Streamlined Football under the Interscholastic Code" by William D. Strictland, Athletic Director, Macomb High School, Macomb, Illinois.

3:15 P. M. to 4:30 P. M.

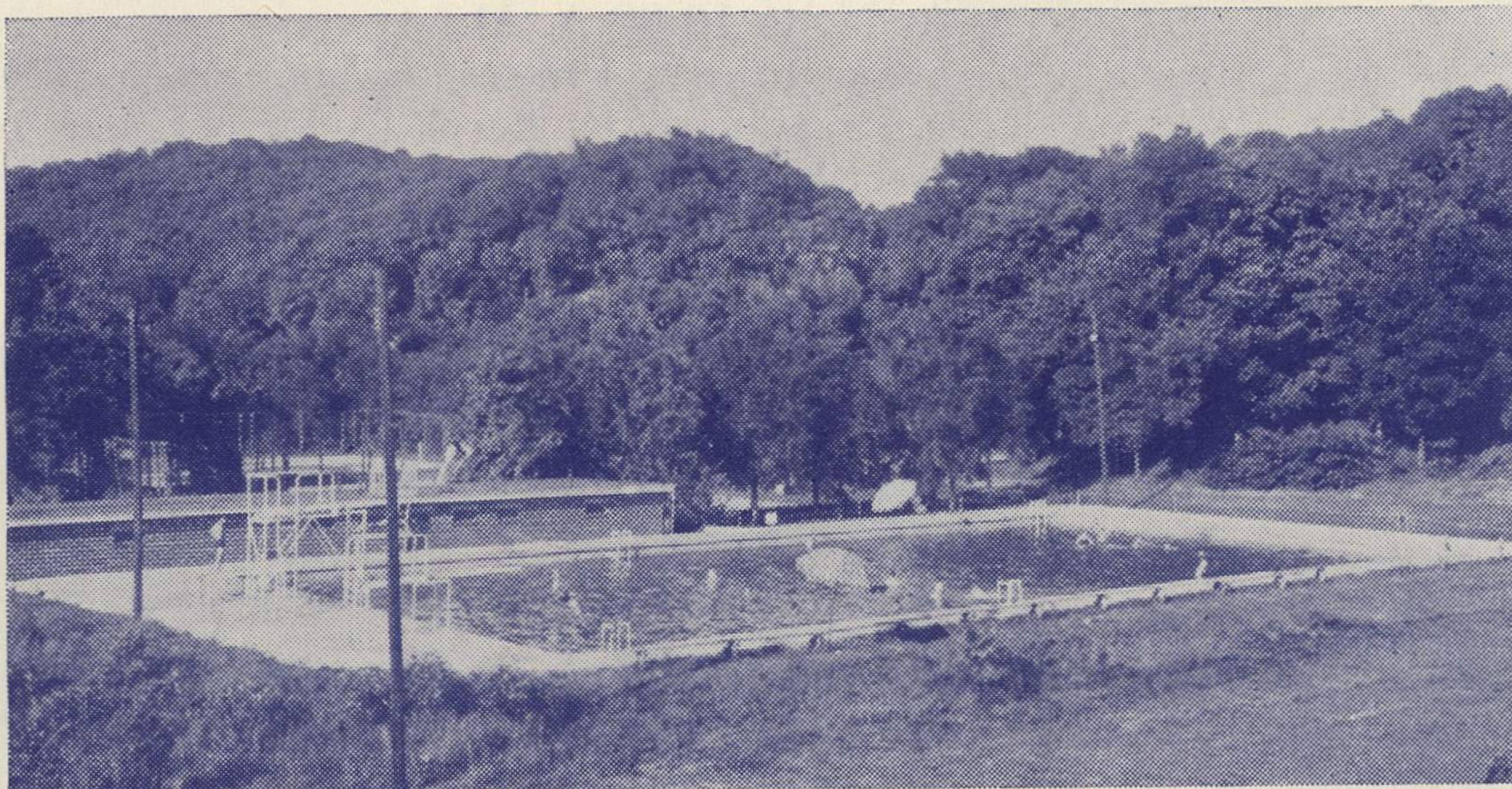
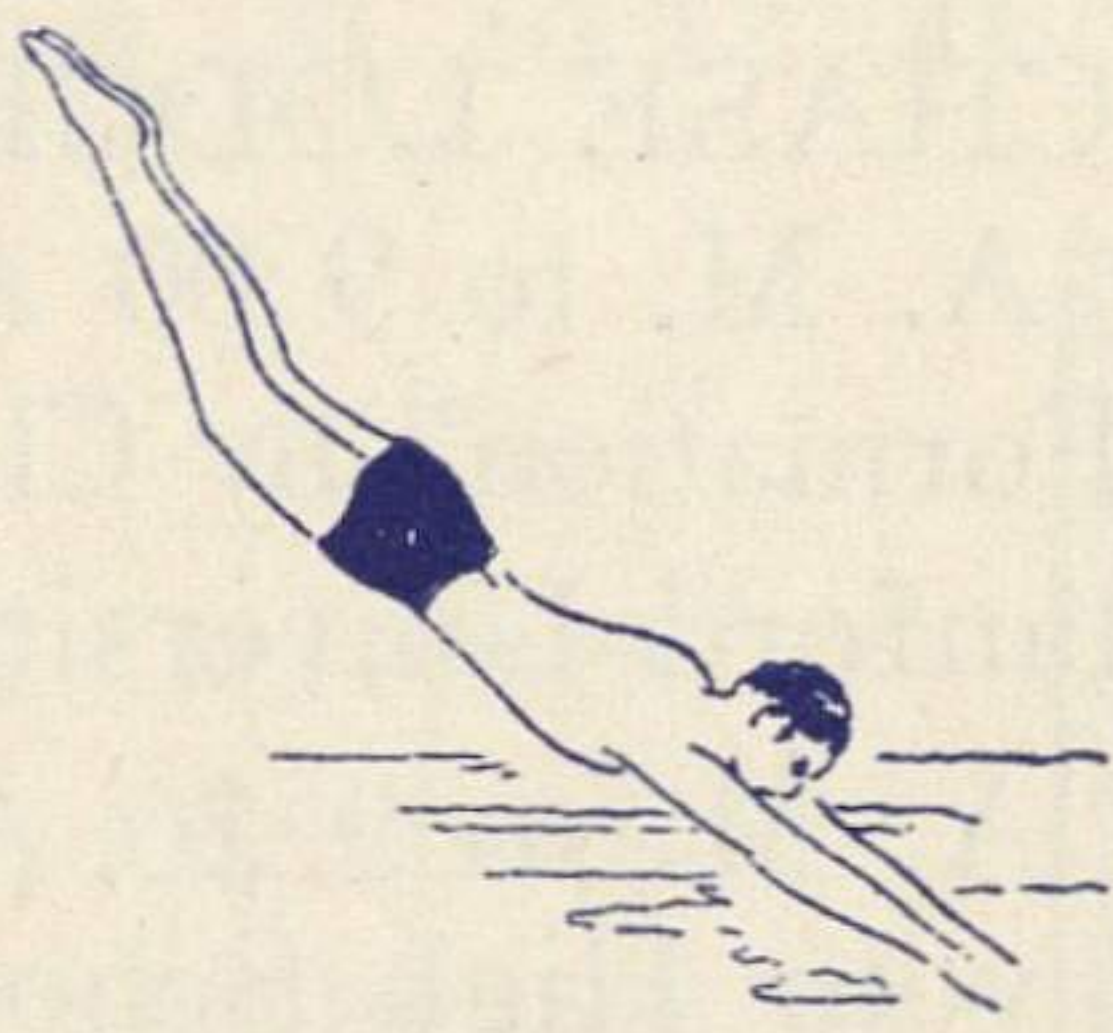
"Basketball Fundamentals" by H. P. Iba, Director of Athletics, Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, Stillwater, Oklahoma.



4:30 P. M. to 6:00 P. M.

RECREATIONAL PERIOD

Swimming, tennis, volley ball, rowing, table tennis, handball, baseball, softball, hiking, fishing, etc.



Camp swimming pool with tennis courts in the background.

6:00 P. M.—DINNER

THIRD SESSION

7:15 P. M. to 8:00 P. M.

CHASE LODGE

"The National Federation and It's Relationship to the High School Coach and Game Official" by H. V. Porter, Secretary of the National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations, Chicago, Illinois.

8:00 P. M. to 10:00 P. M.

"Football Rules for 1941" by Mr. Hugh L. Ray, Veteran Football Official and Instructor at Harrison Technical High School, Chicago. Technical advisor for Interscholastic Football Committee and also for National Professional Football League.

10:00 P. M. to 11:00 P. M. "Football Silent and Sound Pictures."



Hugh L. Ray

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 1941

BREAKFAST

6:45 A. M. to 7:15 A. M.

FOURTH SESSION

CHASE LODGE

7:30 A. M. to 9:00 A. M.

"Football's 1941 T Formation" by Clark D. Shaughnessy,
Director of Football, Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.

9:00 A. M. to 9:20 A. M.

"Building Heat Lamps for your High School" by Bill Frey, Secretary of
the National Trainers Association, Iowa City, Iowa.

9:20 A. M. to 10:00 A. M.

"Preventive Measures to avoid Injury, Pre-season and Seasonal Conditioning, also Ankle and Knee Strappings," by Beryl Taylor, Trainer, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa. Special instruction will be given by Mr. Taylor to individual or small groups of coaches on the techniques of strapping various kinds of injuries, all during the school at Nature Lodge.



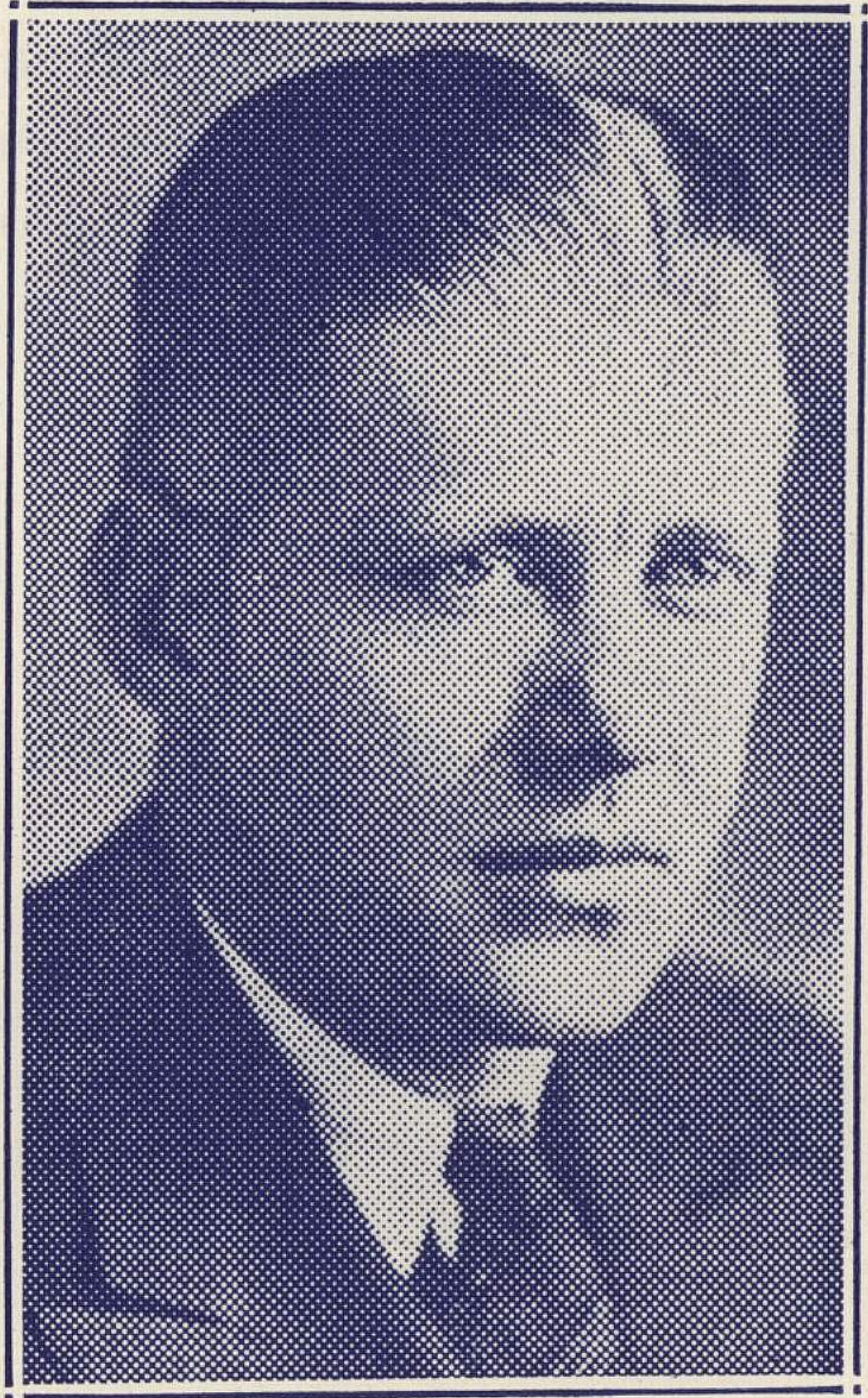
Trainer Beryl Taylor in Action

10:00 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.

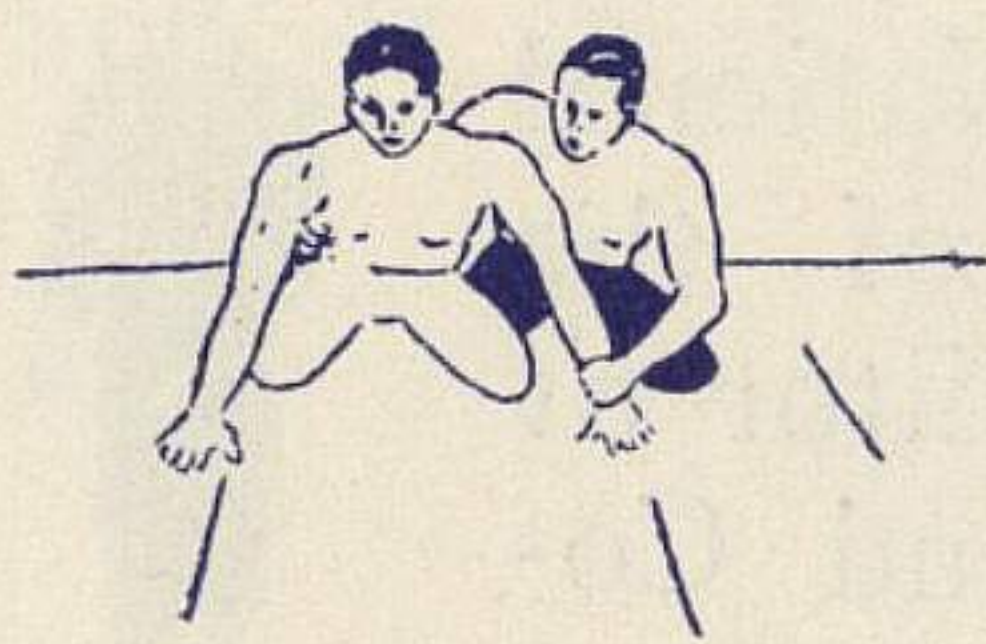
“What a High School Football Player Should Know” by Wilbur Petree,
Athletic Director and Football Coach, Calumet City, Illinois.

10:30 A. M. to 12:00 Noon

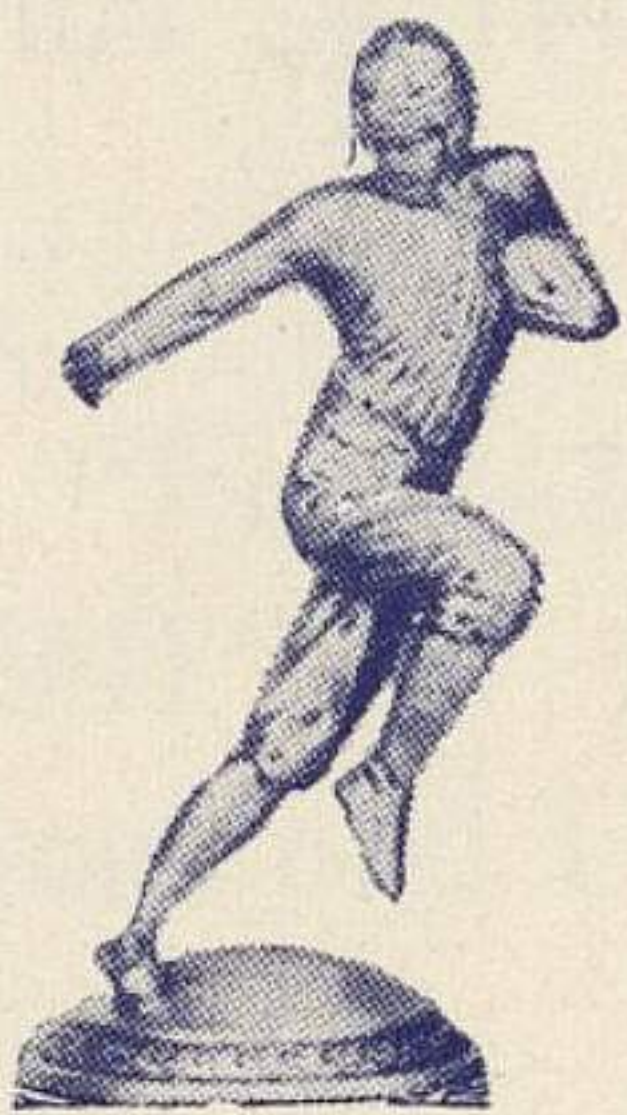
“Basketball Defenses”
by H. P. Iba, Oklahoma
A. and M., Stillwater,
Oklahoma.



H. P. Iba



“The Values of High
School Wrestling” by
Hugo Otopolik, Iowa
State College, Ames.
(Nature Lodge)



12:00 NOON—LUNCH

FIFTH SESSION

CHASE LODGE

1:15 P. M. to 2:45 P. M.

“Football’s 1941 T Formation” by Clark Shaughnessy.

2:45 P. M. to 4:15 P. M.

“The Set Offenses for High School Basketball” by Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
Varsity Basketball Coach, University of Kansas.

“The Forward Pass in Football” by Bernie Bierman, Head Football
Coach, University of Minnesota. (Athletic Field).

4:15 P. M. to 6:00 P. M.

RECREATION

6:00 P. M.—DINNER

SIXTH SESSION

CHASE LODGE

7:15 P. M. to 8:00 P. M.

"The Relationship of the High School Coach to his Community and to his School Program" by Moray E. Eby, Director of Physical Education and Head Football Coach, Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.



Moray E. Eby



H. V. Porter

8:00 P. M. to 10:00 P. M.

"Basketball Rules for 1941-42" by H. V. Porter, Secretary of the National Basketball Rules Committee of the United States and Canada, Co-Editor of the National Basketball Rules and Co-Editor of the National Federation Basketball Play Situation Book.



10:00 P. M. to 11:00 P. M.

"Precision Basketball" sound picture made under the supervision of Mr. Porter and Mr. Tower. This picture has been adapted to the 1941-42 rules and attempts to clarify questionable basketball situations.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1941

6:45 A. M. to 7:15 A. M.

BREAKFAST

SEVENTH SESSION

CHASE LODGE

7:30 A. M. to 9:15 A. M.

"Football's T Formation for 1941" by Clark D. Shaughnessy, Stanford University.

9:15 A. M. to 9:45 A. M.

"Minor Injuries and Common Ailments" by Beryl Taylor, Trainer, Iowa State College, Ames.



9:45 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.

"Basketball Conditioning and Fundamental Drills" by Willis D. Lamb, Head Basketball Coach, Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.



Willis D. Lamb

10:30 A. M. to 12:00 Noon

"Basketball Offenses" by H. P. Iba, Director of Athletics, Oklahoma A. and M., Stillwater, Oklahoma.

12:00 NOON—LUNCH

EIGHTH SESSION

CHASE LODGE

1:15 P. M. to 2:45 P. M.

"High School Line Coaching and Line Play" by Bernie Bierman, University of Minnesota.

2:45 P. M. to 4:10 P. M.

"Football's T Formation for 1941" by Clark D. Shaughnessy, Stanford University.

"High School Baseball Coaching" by Dr. Forrest C. Allen, University of Kansas.



4:10 P. M. to 4:30 P. M.

"Base Running" by Chick Sutherland, Assistant Coach, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

4:30 P. M. to 6:00 P. M.

RECREATION

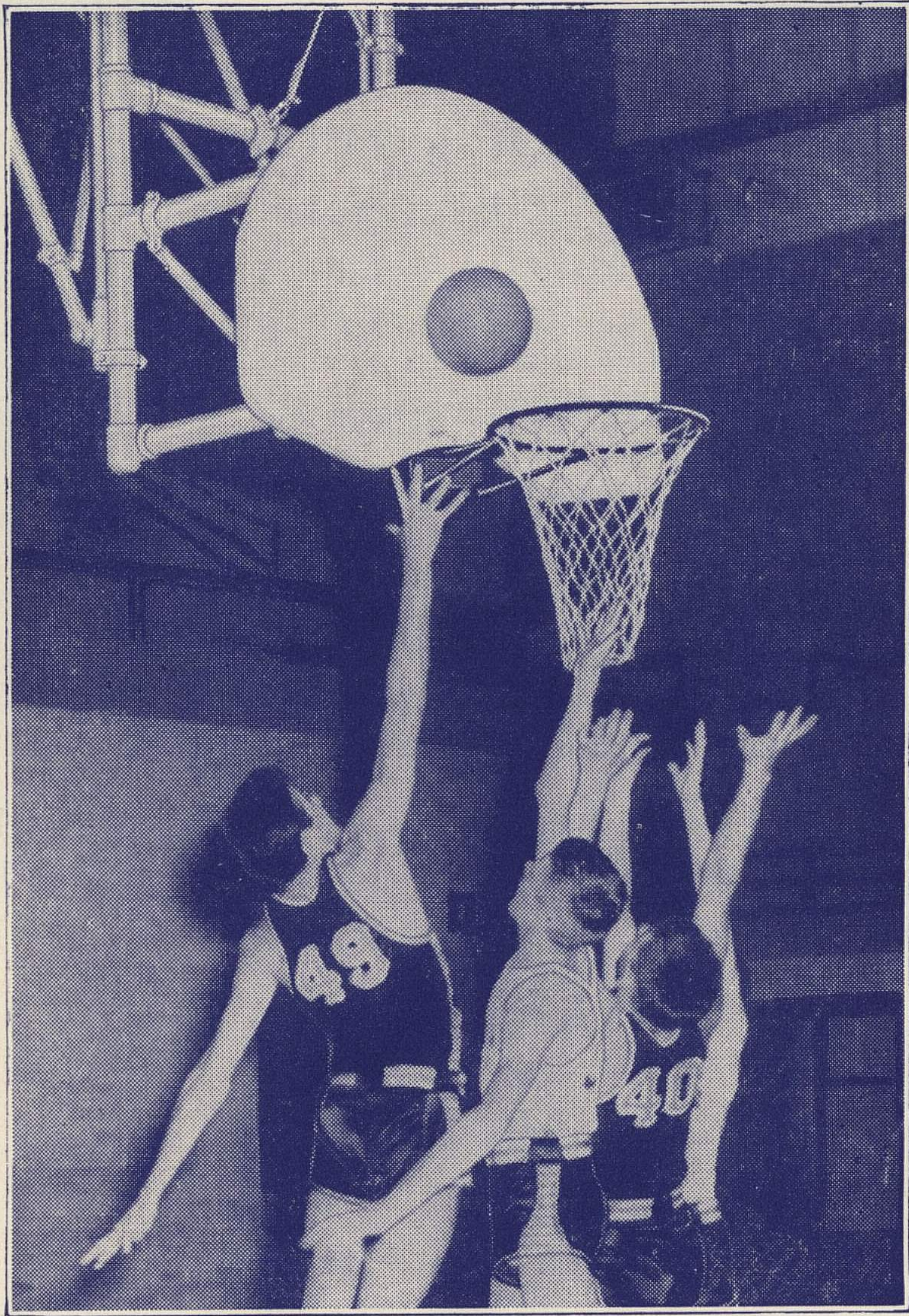
6:00 P. M.—DINNER

7:45 P. M. to 10:00 P. M.

NINTH SESSION

CHASE LODGE

Panel discussion "The best system and the best Coaching Technique Applicable to Football, Basketball, and Baseball in Iowa High Schools for 1941-42." Members of the panel: Dr. Forrest C. Allen, University of Kansas; Bernie Bierman, University of Minnesota; Moray Eby, Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; H. P. Iba, Oklahoma A. and M.; Clark D. Shaughnessy, Stanford University.



Each member of the panel will be given not more than 20 minutes to expound his theories. The remainder of the time will be available for questions directed to the members of the panel by the audience.

10:00 P. M. to Midnight. Stag lunch and smoker.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 1941

6:45 A. M. to 7:15 A. M.

BREAKFAST

TENTH SESSION

CHASE LODGE

7:30 A. M. to 9:30 A. M. "Football" by Bernie Bierman, University of Minnesota.

9:30 A. M. to 10:00 A. M.

"Shoulder and Chest Injuries" by Beryl Taylor, Trainer, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

10:00 A. M. to 12:00 Noon

"Basketball" by Dr. Forrest C. Allen, University of Kansas.

12:00 NOON—LUNCH

ELEVENTH SESSION

CHASE LODGE

1:15 P. M. to 2:00 P. M.

"Results of Student Trainer Program" by Bill Frey, Executive Secretary of the National Trainers Association, Iowa City, Iowa.

2:00 P. M. to 4:00 P. M.

"Basketball Out-of-Bounds and Tournament Play" by H. P. Iba, Oklahoma A. and M., Stillwater, Oklahoma.



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November 10, 1941

Mr. A. M. Venne
Director Health Education
Kansas City, Kansas Y.M.C.A.
900 North Eighth Street

Dear Chief,

Thank you for your good letter enclosing the clipping regarding your basketball clinic which you so ably handled.

On behalf of the University of Kansas I was very happy to render any small service that was within our power. I am glad that your Y.M. boys liked the work. I thought it was a good meeting and everybody seemed pleased.

With all good wishes to you and yours I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA/pg

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach

Cage Clinic Here Off to Good Start

Ransom H-541

The fiftieth anniversary celebration of the founding of the game of basketball was off to a good start in Kansas City Kansas today, its impetus provided by the kick-off event last night in which Dr. F. C. "Phog" Allen, famed University of Kansas coach, appeared here to conduct the first session of the Better Basketball clinic sponsored by the local YMCA.

The approximately 800 persons who witnessed the demonstration of basketball fundamentals given by Allen and five members of his K. U. cage squad felt that this provided a close link with the foundations of the game. Basketball was invented fifty years ago by Dr. James A. Naismith, then a YMCA physical director. Later Doctor Naismith was associated closely with Allen at the University of Kansas for a number of years until Naismith's death less than two years ago. And Allen, perhaps more than any other one individual, has led the way in developing and popularizing the game since it was given to the world by the YMCA.

Local Cagers in Demonstration

Two of the five players with Allen were no strangers here. They were Paul Turner and Bob Johnson, former Shawnee Mission high school athletes. Others were Vance Hall, Jack Ballard and T. P. Hunter. And when they and their "horse and buggy" coach were thru, those present had a better idea of why Kansas teams have won twenty-three championships in the thirty years Allen has coached them.

It was advanced fundamentals which the players demonstrated. They showed how to take the ball down the court into scoring position on a fast break and on set plays, against both man-for-man and zone defenses. They showed how these methods were based upon proper pivoting, dribbling and ball handling. Fundamental floor work was explained and demonstrated, with players "passing at angles and running in curves." Various offensive and defensive exercises were gone thru, showing how Allen's teams get thoro drilling in application of fundamentals.

Allen in Tribute to Naismith

At the dinner which preceded the clinic, Allen again bid for support of his efforts to bring about a "clean-up" of college athletics. He denounced the "reprehensible practice of placing both football and basketball players on salary lists," which, he said, existed in most of the colleges and universities of America.

He divided the Big Six schools into two classifications, the "big pocketbook" and the "little pocketbook" leagues. There are three schools in the circuit in each classification, he said, without mentioning names.

Allen paid tribute to Doctor Naismith as a great man, who never realized how big a thing he started in basketball. He urged greater emphasis upon Naismith's idealism concerning amateur sports and less of the process of commercialization of sports.

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KANSAS CITY KANSAS, TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 4, 1941.

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By PAUL O'BOYNICK

Kansan 11-4-41

Officials of the local YMCA didn't have to go out of the confines of this city to find a suitable toastmaster for tonight's dinner at the local institution, which will be held prior to the basketball clinic, conducted by Dr. Forrest C. "Phog" Allen, basketball coach at the University of Kansas, as a part of the local "Y's" contribution to the golden jubilee observance of the invention of basketball by the late Dr. James A. Naismith.

The individual selected was Maurice L. Breidenthal, president of the Security National bank, a most loyal alumnus of Kansas university, who, with C. O. Burnside of Oklahoma City, made the arrangements for a commercial plane to bring Bill Johnson, phenomenal Kansas center of 1932, from his family's grave lot in the cemetery at Oklahoma City to the basketball court at Lawrence, Kan., for an important game with Oklahoma university. Johnson's father had died on Wednesday night, and the game between the Jayhawkers and Sooners was scheduled for 7:30 o'clock Saturday night. Apparently there was no way for Johnson to travel the 400 miles after his father's funeral the same afternoon and play the game.

Kansas faced a certain defeat and newspapers had already carried the announcement that Kansas would play without their superstar, Bill Johnson. On the afternoon of the game, however, Breidenthal phoned Doctor Allen that he and Burnside had made the necessary arrangements to have Johnson available for the all-important game. The starting time of the game was changed to 8 o'clock. Johnson, after a 3½-hour plane ride and thirty minutes overland by taxi, arrived a few minutes before game-time. It was the tonic that the team needed and Coach Allen's crew won, 31 to 27, in a driving finish to give them undisputed possession of the Big Six conference championship.

Cage Jubilee Celebration Starts at YMCA Tonight

Texas 11-4-41

The Kansas City Kansas part in the fiftieth anniversary celebration of the invention of basketball will get off to an auspicious start tonight at Dr. F. C. "Pho" Allen, famous basketball coach at the University of Kansas, presides at the first session of the Better Basketball clinic sponsored by the YMCA. Allen will be here with a group of K. U. basketball players to explain and demonstrate basketball fundamentals and technique.

The free clinic will be held at the Junior college gymnasium, Ninth and State, starting at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced by A. M. Venne, YMCA physical director. The site of the clinic was moved from the YMCA to the more spacious Junior college gym when it became evident that attendance would overtax the YMCA. Reservations now total about 600, Venne said, with many more expected to attend.

Tonight's program will be started with a dinner at the YMCA, at which Allen will be the principal speaker. Many members of the YMCA, prominent alumni of K. U. and basketball coaches and fans will attend the dinner, at which Maurice L. Breidenthal, well known K. U. alumnus and Kansas City Kansas banker, will serve as toastmaster.

The program sponsored by the local YMCA is a part of the national anniversary celebration to be held under YMCA leadership this winter. It was fifty years ago that the game of basketball was invented by the late Dr. James A. Naismith, then a YMCA physical director at Springfield, Mass. The game first attained popularity under YMCA sponsorship and since then has grown to a point where it is considered the most widespread and popular indoor sport in the world.

Other sessions of the local clinic are planned for the next three Tuesday nights at the YMCA. Various well known local basketball men will conduct the other sessions, with Coach Ashley Elbl of Wyandotte high school presiding next week.

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Kansas City, Kansas
900 North Eighth Street
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Nov. 7, 1941

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

My dear Phog:

Enclosed are more clippings from the
local papers.

In behalf of the Kansas City, Kansas
YMCA I wish to thank you and every member of your
team who was here with you for the fine contribution
you made to the program of this Association. The
demonstration you put on was wonderful. Last night
there were some forty or more basketball players
on our court, many of whom witnessed the clinic. All
had high praise for what you did for them and for
us all last Tuesday night.

When you and your boys are in our city
come over and make this building your headquarters.
If at any time we can be of service to you we shall
be glad to have you call on us.

With kind personal wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



A. M. Venne, Director
Health Education

*"There is no defeat in life, save from within.
Unless you are beaten there, you are bound to win."*

November 12, 1941

Mr. Nelson Sullivan
2208 Lathrop
Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Nelson,

It was a pleasure indeed to be with you, Mr. Venne, Maurice Briedenthal, J. F. Wellemeyer and W. A. Bailey and to put on the clinic in your Y.M.C.A. If you were satisfied with the demonstration that affords plenty compensation for me.

Such an opportunity as I had a week ago Tuesday was a fine one for me for I felt that I was doing a good thing and at the same time saw you and the other fine friends whom I have mentioned.

Thank you, Nelson, for your fine letter. I too hope that we may have another opportunity to cooperate in some other similar project.

With all good wishes I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA/pg

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach

2208 Lathrop,
Kansas City, Kansas
Nov..8, 1941

Dear Doc.::

I want to thank you for the fine demonstration which you put on last Tuesday night. We have heard others say and believe that this was the finest demonstration of basketball fundamentals that the Kansas City area has ever witnessed. Please convey my sincere thanks and appreciation to your team members which participated in this clinic. The Chief is writing you and thanking you for the committee but I couldn't help but write to express my feelings for the grand manner in which you put this affair over..

I'm no promoter Doc. Like the sports editor at the Kansas City Kansan said, "you advertise this thing my word of mouth and you'll have too many people for the YMCA gym." When you've got something that the people know is the real thing, like the show you gave them Tuesday night, you don't need a promoter..

I really felt like there was a purpose in this clinic for I feel like the YMCA is a place where better basketball could be taught the youngsters of grade school age.. Thanks to you and your team members, men like J.F..Wellemeier and W.A..Bailey were hearty in their praise of the clinic and the work in which the YMCA is attempting to do.. Hoping some day that I might be of some service to you,

I remain, your supporter,

Nelson Sullivan

November 1, 1941.

Mr. Nelson Sullivan,
2208 Lathrop,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Sully:

I am sorry that it has not been possible for me to get out of the office much of late. Of course that made it impossible to get to Kansas City for that shot that you desired with your local authorities.

I am glad that things are progressing nicely, and you can count on five players plus myself for the 6 o'clock dinner Tuesday evening, and the demonstration.

I will let you make arrangements for the spaciousness of any building or gym that you think you might need, but we will do the demonstrating if and when you desire. I am sorry that I cannot bring Ray Evans, but he is in football and it might be misunderstood.

I have written Mr. Venne. I will be looking forward to seeing you Tuesday evening.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

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

2208 Lathrop
Kansas City, Kansas
Oct. 24, 1941

Dear Doc.:

Things are progressing very nicely for your basketball clinic.. Next week we are going to get considerable publicity regarding it. There is no doubt but what we will have a capacity crowd at the dinner which will be at 6 o'clock Tuesday evening, November 4. The clinic which will follow will be held in the Y's gym.. providing that there will be accomodations for all that might attend, ifwe feel that we need a more spacious place we are making plans to obtain another gym which will be able to hold the crowd..

There are several points which I would like to ask you about for they concern publicity which the newspapers are putting out about this affair.. Would it be possible for you to send us some pictures of some of the local boys that might be with you in this demonstration or some of the other team members which you are planning on using?. I know that it would be impossible but the presence of Ray Evans would add considerable local interest..

The next point is one which I read about in an editorial in the Kansas City Kansan, last Sunday, concerning the proposed idea which you propounded in regard to a memorial building to Dr. James Naismith. Would you like to make this the subject of you speech at the dinner? We are advertising your clinic in conjunction with the fiftieth anniversary of basketball..

If you should be in town accidentlly or otherwise sometime this next week if you would stop at the local Y long enough for a picture to be taken of you talking to the local authorities concerning this clinic the local newspapers would appreciate it..If you know ahead of time that you might be in town please let me know when it would

be convient for you to have this picture taken.

If there is anything that I should do this next week in regard to the clinic please let me know. I would appreciate any advice or tips on methods of getting the best publicity for this affair.. This is going to be a great event for Kansas City, Kansas and we are going to place some future greats on the Kansas University varsity.

Sincerely yours,

Nelson Sullivan

Here for Clinic



Dr. F. C. "Phog" Allen, famous basketball coach at the University of Kansas, is pictured above in a warmup suit somewhat as he probably will appear Tuesday night at the YMCA as he conducts the opening session of the YMCA Better Basketball clinic. Allen will speak at a dinner preceding the session in the gymnasium. Many of the 600 basketball players, coaches and fans who already have made reservations for the clinic also will attend the dinner, at which Maurice L. Breidenthal, most active of local K. U. alumni, will preside as toastmaster.

The clinic is a part of the local YMCA contribution to the fiftieth anniversary celebration of the invention of basketball by Dr. James A. Naismith in a YMCA gymnasium.

A CLINIC FOR CAGE FANS.

Dr. F. C. Allen and Players Will
Give Demonstration.

With Dr. F. C. Allen, basketball coach of the University of Kansas, in charge, a basketball clinic will be held in the gymnasium of the Kansas City, Kansas, Y. M. C. A. Tuesday night. A dinner, to which players, coaches and students of the sport are invited, will be held at 6:30 o'clock with the clinic following.

Anyone interested in attending is asked to contact the Y. M. C. A. in Kansas City, Kansas. Dr. Allen is expected to bring with him players from his university squad and these will assist him in the demonstrations.

"Phog" Allen to Lead Better Basketball Clinic at YMCA

A Better Basketball clinic with Dr. F. C. Allen, famed coach at Kansas university and members of his K. U. team taking part, will be the feature event of the fiftieth anniversary celebration of basketball to be sponsored here by the Kansas City Kansas YMCA, it was announced yesterday.

The basketball clinic will consist of a series of probably four night sessions, it was said, with Allen conducting the first session, scheduled for the YMCA gymnasium the night of Tuesday, November 4.

The fiftieth anniversary celebration nationally is being sponsored by the YMCA, since it was fifty years ago this year that the late Dr. James A. Naismith invented the game while an instructor at the YMCA college at Springfield, Mass.

Admission to all sessions of the clinic will be free, but those wishing to attend must secure tickets from officials of the YMCA.

Allen, in his appearances here,

will cover the fundamentals of basketball playing, coaching and officiating, following the outline of his latest book, "Better Basketball." The players accompanying him will give actual play demonstrations of various types of offense, defense, fouls and play situations.

All basketball players, especially high school players, of the two Kansas Citys and the surrounding territory, will be invited to attend the clinic, as well as any others interested.

Members of the committee in charge of the program are the Rev. Ted Stoerker, Nelson Sullivan and A. M. Venne.



One week from tonight Dr. Forrest C. "Phog" Allen, basketball coach of the University of Kansas, will be here to open the better basketball clinic at the YMCA, sponsored by the local YMCA as part of the golden jubilee celebration of the cage game. Nationally, however, four of the country's outstanding teams, starring, among others, the all-time all-American, Hank Luisetti, will start a 6-month golden jubilee celebration with games in New York's Madison Square Garden on November 19 and 24, inclusive. The celebration is intended to commemorate the name of basketball's inventor—the late Dr. James A. Naismith. It will end with the foundation of a museum at Springfield, Mass., the game's birthplace. Fifty years ago, Doctor Naismith, then a physical instructor at the YMCA in Springfield, conceived the idea of an indoor game and he sat down to figure out the only contest that is truly American in origin. All other sports have been directly imported from other countries or are diluted versions of some foreign game.

The outcome of Doctor Naismith's cogitations was a game fast enough and so simple that the original equipment would make present-day hoopmen gape. And there were only four fundamental rules:

First: The player in possession of the ball must not make progress while it is in his possession.

Second: The goal is horizontal and above the heads of the players.

Third: Roughness is eliminated so far as possible by making it a no-contact contest.

Fourth: The ball belongs to the player at any time that he can get it without making personal contact.

Doctor Naismith put his fundamentals down in black and white and then set about to work them out. Then he decided to use a light ball, adopting a soccer ball, the closest he could then get for his needs. He then mounted an old peach basket on a pole and worked out his idea of the game.

From this humble start in the Springfield "Y" gym fifty years ago, basketball has developed into the game we know today. Naturally, Doctor Naismith, when he invented it, didn't realize that the game would grow to such vast proportions. The game is now accepted in seventy-five other countries and approximately 20 million players compete in this sport from December until March every year. Ninety million ardent fans annually pay admissions to see the game played on every court from Madison Square Garden's polished quadrangle to playing spaces laid out in small hamlets. The game has undergone many changes since it was first instituted. First, it was played with seven men on a side. Then it was nine, then eight, and now there are five players on a team. At first there were three periods of 20 minutes each; now two are played for the same length of time. Goals once counted 3 points each instead of 2. There used to be a free throw expert on each team to shoot free shots granted because of fouls. During one game a Fordham expert once made 28 of these free shots.

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Nov. 2, 1941

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

Dear Phog:

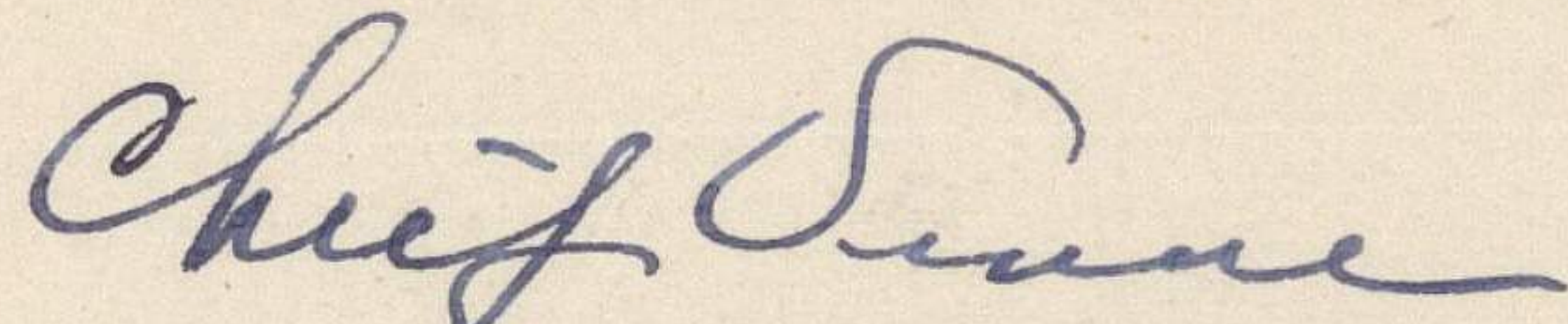
I am enclosing herewith clippings from the
local papers.

Close to six hundred tickets have been issued
for the clinic. It may be necessary to hold the clinic
in the Junior College gymnasium as our gym is not adequate
for a crowd of this size.

Come direct to the Y at 8th and Armstrong.
The dinner will be at six o'clock. Sullivan informs me
that you will probably be asked to give an interview
over KCKN - just across the street from the Y.

With best personal wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,



A. M. Venne, Director
Health Education

*"There is no defeat in life, save from within.
Unless you are beaten there, you are bound to win."*

November 1, 1941.

Mr. A. M. Venne,
Y.M.C.A.,
900 No. 8th St.,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Chief:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your kind letter of the 28th ultimo enclosing two tickets for our clinic as well as the clipping. Thank you for the same.

I will bring one car load with me - five players and myself. That will make six for the 6 p.m. dinner. I figure one car load will be enough to demonstrate.

I am happy to know that Maurice Breidenthal will preside at the dinner. I am very fond of him.

I am wondering if you will kindly call Dr. Don Carlos Peete, in the Argyle Building. I have asked him to attend our clinic and demonstration. He will not be able to attend the dinner, but I would like for you to call him and make provision for his attendance. I do not want him to be left out.

I am glad that you are going to have a large crowd. We will need the length of the court to make our demonstration. We will want both baskets.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

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

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Mr. F.C. Phog Allen

of Kansas University



Who is visiting the Kansas City, Kansas Y.M.
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Signed

Chief Warden

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Oct. 28, 1941

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University of Kansas,
Lawrence,
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Dear Doc:

This is to advise that everything is coming along in fine shape for the Clinic here next Tuesday.

"Sullie" is doing very good work with the publicity and general promotion.

Will you please advise how many reservations you will need for yourself and players for the dinner which will be served at 6 PM in the YMCA cafe?

Mr. Maurice Breidenthal, an old K.U. graduate, will preside at the dinner.

We expect an unusually large crowd for the clinic and as our gymnasium is not very large- 45X70 - will you kindly advise if you will need the entire length of the court for demonstration or will one end be sufficient space? We can place 200 people in the balcony and perhaps as many on the side lines but we may have more than four hundred here that night.

With best personal wishes, I am

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