

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

Dear Phog:

I want to tell you and the team how much we all enjoyed your visit with us on your stop over in Detroit. Although not a lot of us could get out due to the holiday rush and the fact that our notices were held in the post offices, I know that those who did get an opportunity to meet the team and see you again felt their ties with the University renewed. When one has been away from school for a long time, one's memory of the days spent there and appreciation of what he owes the school which gave him an education gets fainter and fainter and is apt to be almost entirely lost in the pressure of daily work and the competitive struggle to take care of a family and get somewhere if possible. But a visit of some of the boys right from school and of our old coach who was putting out winning teams even when we went to school brings some of that fresh spirit of the campus right back to us.

I thought the talk you gave at the dinner was swell, Phog, and your interview over the radio could not have been better. Had we started to organize things a little earlier we could have also gotten some notice in the papers. I never have received the material Chuck Elliott said he mailed me. I think that we should have had something like that notice in the New York Times quoting you. That was swell. And by the way let me congratulate you and the team on beating Fordham and swamping St. Bonaventure. What did you mean with all those bear stories you were handing out when we saw you?

You said that you would like a copy of the plaque in the Fisher building. Here it is.

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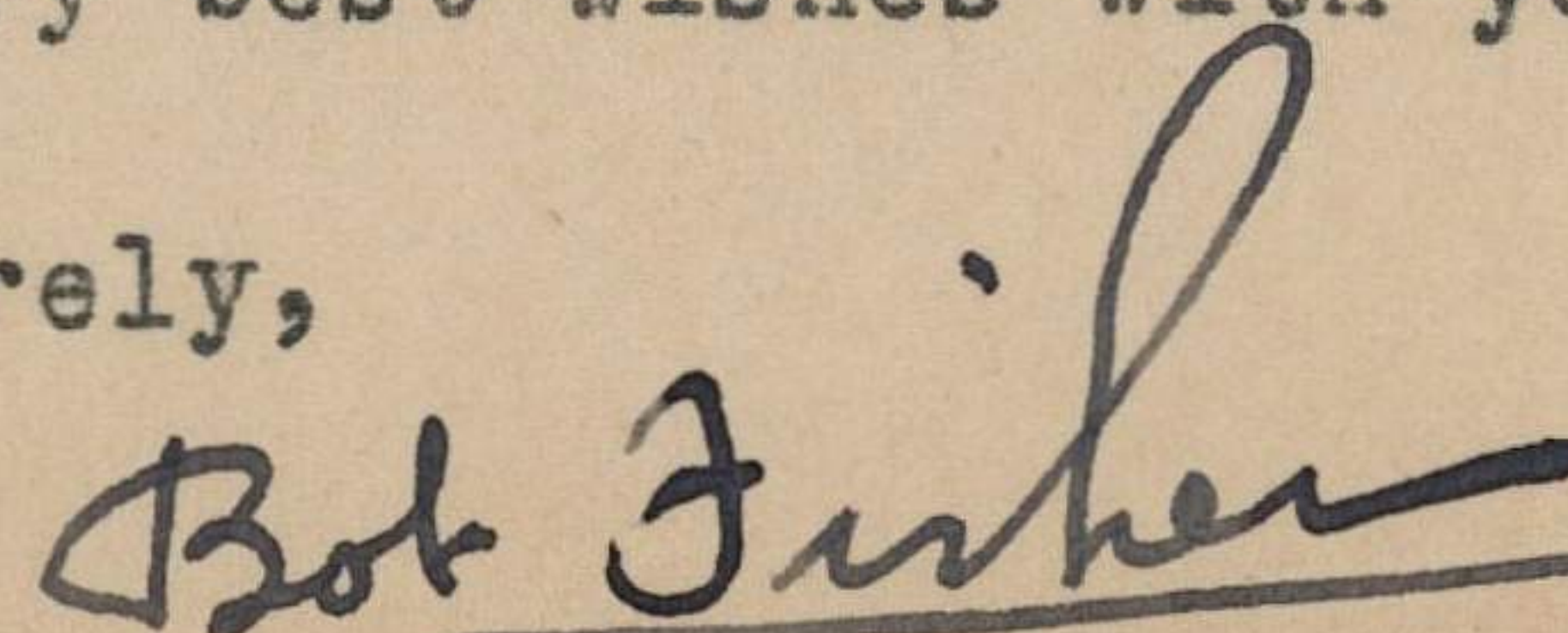
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In commemoration of the Exemplary business ethics and zeal for fairness manifested by the Fisher brothers and their associates in every relation with those who have striven in the creation of this building this tablet is presented by the architects and all contractors.

I had a card from Mrs. Barnes the other day telling how much she and the others in Birmingham enjoyed your visit. How I wish we could have stayed longer, we were having such a good time. I have written to Walter Shannon telling him why we were not able to stop and see him on the way from Birmingham. It was nice of you to introduce the team to Mrs. Fisher and take the time to stop and see her on the way to the train. I wanted her to see what a splendid group of well behaved gentlemen these Kansas athletes are.

Well Phog, come and see us again some time. And in the mean time I think that you and the boys know that you have our very best wishes with you all the time.

Very sincerely,



President, K. U. Alumni, Detroit area.