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February 7, 1946

Dr. F. C. Allen
Varsity Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

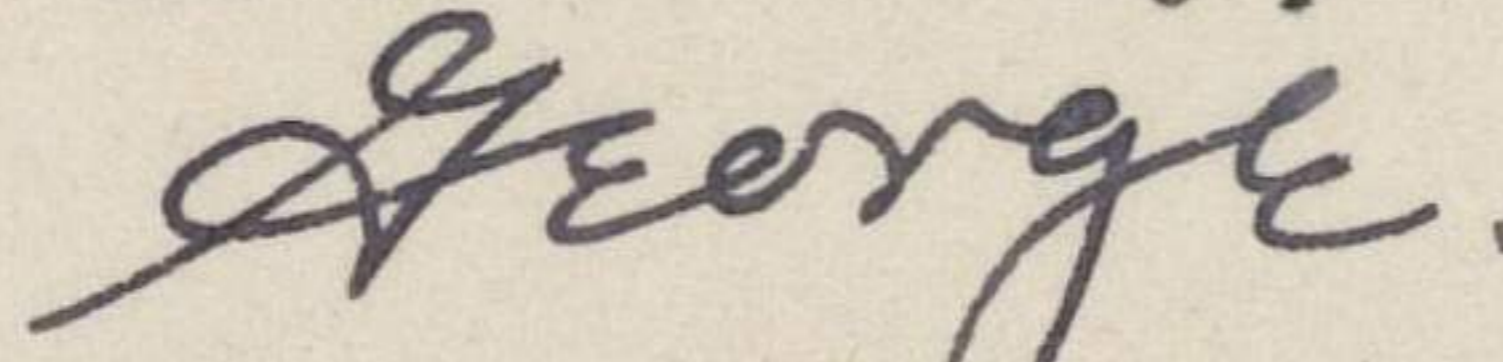
Thanks so much for your pleasing comments about my work. Coming from one who has been in position to see all of my faults as well as the few better characteristics, it is deeply appreciated.

My shift in duties was wholly my own choice and was made after considerable thought. In fact, the Committee wondered if responsibilities couldn't be altered to permit me to handle both jobs, but details connected with them were so conflicting that I didn't believe such a set-up was wise. However, it was nice to know that my coaching work had been considered satisfactory.

It is difficult to look forward to a future with less intimate contacts among basketball coaches and players. I enjoy administrative work, though, and believe it offers compensations to me which will offset the losses. At this time I feel that the move is a good one for ^{me} -- only the future can show whether or not I am making a mistake.

Thanks again for your well wishes, and may I extend my kindest personal regards.

Yours truly,



George R. Edwards
Acting Executive Secretary
of Athletics

GRE/ms

February 5, 1946

Mr. George Edwards
Varsity Basketball Coach
University of Missouri
Columbia, Missouri

Dear George:

My failure to write you earlier is no criterion of my intention. When I read of your resignation, I intended fully to write you right away and congratulate you on the fine promotion that you have received.

You have had a long and honorable past as a coach and the many boys who have served under you will remember the fine high quality of sportsmanship that you instill in your boys. I remember you well in your playing days at Central High when I officiated many of your ball games. I also remember your contribution as a fine football and basketball player in the University of Missouri and in 1912 and 1913 when you were captain of the Missouri Varsity. You were kind enough to give us a basketball game when I was at Warrensburg. If it had not been for you we would not have obtained the game.

Through these experiences and others I have learned to admire you in many, many ways.

While at times some of our friends may have caused a slight ripple of competitive awareness, never at any time has there been any doubt in my mind as to your absolute fairness and fearlessness. May your continued many years in this new position bring a deep satisfaction, which you so justly deserve.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:MF

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November 16, 1945.

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Mr. James W. Crossett,
ESQUIRE,
919 No. Michigan Ave.,
Chicago 11, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Crossett:

Perhaps a letter will explain better my reply to your question #1 -- better than a comment I might make in the small space provided therefor. I have definitely made my statements regarding the gambling evil and I think everyone is acquainted with that. However, I will be glad to elaborate.

The N.C.A.A. and the A.A.U. are a group of men without any law enforcing power. Both of these organizations are in fact paper organizations, and while there is a great deal of talk there is never anything done except a silly appeal to the coaches to keep information away from the gamblers. Even with the power that Judge Landis had, he had a struggle to deep down gambling in the parks of the professional league teams.

The N.C.A.A. is a heterogenous organization with not the same ideals in the various conferences; therefore, there is no unanimity of opinion on eligibility or how this matter should be handled. Athletics have gotten to be big business, but the N.C.A.A. and the A.A.U. have not grown with the growth of interest in sports and the money take at the gate. Regardless of the sport concerned, when great interest is attached to any sports activity the gamblers are always there working their percentages for their own benefit and not for the benefit of the sport.

It has long been known that the A.A.U. only promotes sports in which there is money for the A.A.U. They may make a token gesture of letting a certain district or area promote their so-called amateur sport, but when there is a great money income at the gate, then the A.A.U. promotes it and takes a part or all of it to run their New York and Chicago administrative expense.

The N.C.A.A. followed in the wake of the A.A.U. in wanting to take all the money as they started to do in 1942. With certain unfavorable publicity upon the attitude such as the N.C.A.A. showed, they began to disburse more of it until now they are doing a fair job, but they depended upon Ned Irish to make the money for them. The N.C.A.A. tournament was intended to be originated and promoted for the purpose of fighting

Ned Irish's professionally promoted tournament. The N.C.A.A. always contended that the colleges should promote their own tournaments, and for Ned Irish, a professional promoter, to do that was revolting to their ideals. The travesty of the situation is now that the N.C.A.A. is going hand in glove with Mr. Irish, not only accepting him but putting on their own tournament in his own bailiwick.

I have no differences with Mr. Irish personally, except that he is a professional promoter and he is not interested in stamping out gambling, only just keeping the criticism away from his tournament so far as possible. Mr. Irish knows that if public opinion would get strong enough to prevent the colleges from entering his tournament, then he would be interested as a business man in stamping it out. But Mr. Irish's Madison Square Garden is nothing but a gambling den where over sixty per cent of the people attend for that purpose. The gamblers buy up blocks of seats and Mr. Irish sells his tickets in a season ticket block. Mr. Average Spectator never gets those seats because Mr. Average Spectator cannot put out over a hundred dollars for a season ticket for all the games. Therefore, the astute Mr. Irish sells them in season ticket blocks, and the forty per cent of basketball fans who go for the sport and not for the gambling, get the poorer seats in the place.

The Worlds' Championship (Chicago) that you mention is not a worlds' championship, it is only a national championship. We Americans are prone to magnify and elaborate. How could it be a worlds' championship with nobody competing, only people from this nation? But why should I tell you these things? You know them better than I. You are in Chicago where one of the big boys determines the odds on all betting events. The gamblers are the ones that the newspaper boys quote as to the odds on this or that team all over the nation, regardless of any sport.

Unless any one of these organizations puts someone in charge to organize a sport in a way that there is some power to fight gambling, then these sports will go the way of horseracing where it is admittedly known that horseracing could not exist without the gambling. But you will always have enough gamblers following these tournaments to make them a success, and only the better people, so-called, suffer. All athletic directors and coaches know this well enough, but you can get few of them to say so. The Pollyanna attitude of these officers in high places in these organizations is only lip service.

In your question #2, on the systems of officiating, I would say that the present system is better because the officials follow the ball more closely, and if there is good teamwork between two highly efficient officials then they are generally pretty much on top of the plays and they can see the game better moving in and along with the plays than the sideline or endline officials can see in a stationery position.

The crow's nest officiating would be perhaps helpful in using the present system of officiating with the man in the crow's nest being the arbiter should either of the two present officials conflict on a decision that would be made on the same play. Even then I am not sure that it would provide much aid. The difficulty, of course, is in getting good officials. That is a very tough job and the gamblers have made officiating very, very

tough because they are not interested in the sportsmanship of the game or the play. They are interested in the result because they have money placed on the outcome. And that is the bad thing because these gamblers will get to certain types of officials and certain types of players. They will not get to all of them but they will get to some of them, and when you have a shrewd, unprincipled gang operating, with no group operating to oppose them, then the result is obvious.

On your question #3 I should say that we need better teaching in fundamentals by our basketball coaches. But here again the big time coach goes out and recruits his team and doesn't worry about the fundamentals. But the small time coach should give more time to teaching fundamentals. If we had good fundamentals taught the youngsters, the fire-engine game could still operate without putting too great a strain on the player. Medical science is agreed that after a 45-second rest the heart in a normal healthy person compensates sufficiently to exert no harm on the participant. The recuperation is satisfactory.

In answer to your question #4, I think that there are so many angles involved that it is a matter of research because there is so much difference in the opposition of teams that some teams make a great record, but their opposition is weak. The coaching record is much more difficult than picking an outstanding collegiate basketball player. I still pick Hank Luisetti as the best all-round player in the country.

In answer to your question #6, again it would take definite research to arrive at an answer. The Helms Athletic Foundation of Los Angeles is the only one that I know that has made much research along this line.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Esquire
THE MAGAZINE FOR MEN
919 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE
CHICAGO 11, ILLINOIS

November 12, 1945

Dear Coach:

Esquire's current sports poll is devoted to
basketball!

Enclosed you will find an official poll ballot.

We would greatly appreciate your opinions, as a
leading basketball Coach, on the various ques-
tions submitted.

Will you be kind enough to fill out the ballot
and return as directed? Thanks a lot for your
valuable cooperation.

Cordially yours,
ESQUIRE, INC.

James Crossett
James W. Crossett
Sports Poll

JWC:EP

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November 12, 1945.

Lt. (jg) H. G. Engleman, USNR,
BOQ, Naval Repair Base,
Algiers, Louisiana.

Dear Howard:

I should have answered your good letter of October 26 sooner, but I wanted to have a talk with Mr. Quigley concerning your coaching of the freshman team. Of course we do not have freshmen here and will not have this year, but when you come to the University at the end of the first semester we will be happy to have you help us.

Howard, the remuneration has never been too great, but the freshman coach has always received \$300.00 a year for coaching basketball. I imagine that coming in the second semester you would get one-half of that which would help a little. Mr. Quigley said that he desired to pass on any recommendation to the Chancellor, who in turn will pass it on to the Board of Regents for their approval, and we would not want anything mentioned about it until the Board passes upon the matter. I am very sure they will do this, but this was Mr. Quigley's request.

I want you to know how wonderful it would be to have you back with us here on the hill, and your good wife and baby will be an added delightful pleasure, I assure you.

Now, available apartments or small houses are certainly a question. So many of the veterans are driving in from the Sunflower Ordnance Works housing plant there. They have some lovely apartments, and some new ones, and many of the veterans are taking advantage of that. However, we are still having an exodus of the plant workers, and I believe when they completely close down the Sunflower Ordnance Works that we will still have more apartments or small houses for rent. The people near an ordnance plant have been spoiled by the prices that have been paid by the workers. Money was terribly cheap then, and the workers were willing to pay most any price. I do not believe that we can blame Lawrence for this attitude, but a general situation attributed to the war and high prices.

Gosh, it will be good to see you and we are looking forward to the day when you can be with us. Mrs. Allen was operated three weeks ago at St. Luke's hospital and after two weeks she came home, and she is

feeling splendidly. We speak of you and your good family many, many times. Jane also wants to add her two bits worth of greeting and best wishes to you.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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BOQ Nav. Repair
Base
Algiers, La.
Oct 26th.

Dear Doc,

This is finally my last assignment in the Navy. I am at the Naval Base at New Orleans here working with the discharge center. I should receive my own discharge about December 1st and I'm looking forward eagerly to the day when I can resume normal family life and quit living out of suitcases.

Dean Moreau has advised ~~me~~ that it would be possible for me to commence study the second semester. I am wondering if ~~you~~ that would fit in with your offer of coaching your freshman? If so it would enable me to get an early start toward my degree. I would also like to know, for purposes of the little lady's budget book, approx-imately what remuneration I could expect from the job, Doc.

It will be a real pleasure to be back in Lawrence and I hope, working with you again. If you hear of any available apt. or small house opening up let me or my wife at Salina know & I'll try to close arrangements. My best regards to Mrs. Allen & family. I'll bet Bob is beginning to pace the floor about now, right?

Sincerely yours
Rufe Engleman

February 28, 1945.

Lt. Ray Evans, 0587736,
HdQRS. Gypsy Task Force,
APO 632, c/o P.M.,
Miami, Fla.

My dear Ray:

I was delighted to have your letter of February 21 and to know that you are in such an ideal spot. We are just getting ready to leave for Ames, Iowa, tomorrow. Kirk Scott sprained his ankle badly day before yesterday and he has a pretty flat tire. This is going to hit us pretty hard, but we are going to give those Cyclones everything we have got.

You know how we can battle them, Ray, when the chips are down and when we are crippled and the odds are against us. But frankly, Iowa State have the odds on us because our boys are not stable enough in the clutches. I think the boys have done exceptionally well for the training that they have had. You see, they do not have any freshman training fundamentals, and that reacts against us in a very definite way.

Time after time a man is open but in their excitement they fail to locate him and then when they come down the floor on the offense you never know what they are going to do. Sometimes they respond correctly, and at other times they go haywire. But in war time, you know, Ray, it is not like it is when peace is on the earth. We are waiting until that time and you and the other boys are back - and we can meet one Gerald Tucker who hails from Winfield, Kansas, and who has his temporary abode in the Sooner state! Well, I promised that guy three years of the toughest competition in the Big Six, and I want you boys to help me out in making that come true.

Keep the contact up with Bob Hendren, as you doubtless can do more than anyone else. Every once in a while give me the dope if you happen to be with him, and I will continue to fire epistles to him. He did not answer my letter, but I know how that goes with boys in the service, - they are just too busy and can't find time.

I will tell our gang that you wish them well and I will promise you they will fight for you if they will fight for anybody. With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

21 Feb. 45.

Dear Dr. Allen —

Congratulations on your two
wins over Okla. and K- State. The
boys did right well after leaving
Mehrosha, and that certainly made
me feel good.

My first day here, met a boy
from KU that left about the same
time we did. It was certainly
good to see him, and about all
we talked about was the good
old university.

This place here is an ideal spot
for our combat crew training.
And before long you will be
seeing quite a bit about a
couple of our outfits. They will
be giving the Japs some real hell.

Were about 30 miles from Havana,
but as yet I haven't been able to
go in. There are a lot of interesting
sights here and I hope to take them
all in before I leave here.

Bob Hendren, the boy I told
you about, may be joining us
soon here. I'll do all I can to sell
him on K U. He really is a fine
boy Doc, and I know you can
do wonders with him. He can do
everything for his ~~size~~ size
with he and Block at forwards they
would control all the rebound,
and would make Tucker look sick.

By the way, I just love to beat
that guy Tucker.
Joy hello to the boys - and here's
hoping for another Big Six title.
As ever,
Ray

October 20, 1945

Lt. Ray Evans
Hdq. 2nd Air Force Super Bomber
Colorado Springs, Colorado

Dear Ray:

I have had a number of letters from Bob Allen, Mary Allen Hamilton, and others stating that you had given me the name of Bob Hendren last year and these people wondered why I had not written him with the idea of trying to interest him in the University of Kansas. I went back into my file this morning and found that on February 14, 1945, I wrote Bob a full-page letter and I quote it herewith:

"I had a fine visit with our former super-star, Ray Evans, when we played the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Ray told me of your wonderful athletic ability and said that he would give anything to see you at the University of Kansas when he returns to college after the war is over.

"I am writing you to see what you have in mind and to assure you that nothing would give me more pleasure than to see the wish that Ray Evans expressed come true. Have you thought of your college future to any great extent?

"I know how busy you are. All boys in the service are bereft of any extra time to write letters, but I would appreciate your writing me so that we might exchange ideas.

"I am sending you a Jayhawk Rebounds which is a monthly letter that we get out to our boys in the service. Doubtless you will know none of these boys but you can see what we are doing to keep our boys on the fighting fronts advised as to our hopes and ambitions for them.

"Ray just mailed me a tear sheet in which your team is shown on the sport page. He outlined your 6ft. 8in., 230 pounds in a very graphic way. He thinks you are tops, and you must be from your record.

"With all good wishes to you in your second game against the Wings, I am"

I never heard from Bob and little expected to because most boys in the service do not write the coaches unless they are well acquainted with them.

On the twenty-eight of February 1945, I wrote you a letter regarding Bob as follows: "Keep the contact with Bob Hendren, as you doubtless can do more than anyone else. Every once in awhile give me the dope if you happen to be with him, and I will continue to fire epistles to him. He did not answer my letter, but I know how that goes with boys in the service, - they are just too busy and can't find time."

Lt. Ray Evans, October 20, 1945

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On April 24, 1945 I wrote you thanking you for writing me regarding Cpl. James Kane whose address was and perhaps is 8838 South Morgan Street, Chicago, Illinois. I wrote Cpl. Kane and did not hear from him. Here is the paragraph I wrote you:

"There is hardly a day passes that some fellow on Massachusetts Street doesn't say, 'Won't you be glad to have Charlie Black and Ray Evans back?' And you know what my answer is - a big affirmative YES, with an exclamation! One of the boys at the Post Office said that he saw Charlie's dad who said that Charlie had earned a citation. He only has six more missions, they say, until he has a chance, at least, for a short furlough. Well, we are hoping."

I want to tell you that Charlie Balek is in Sioux City, Iowa now awaiting his release. His mother drove down to Coffeyville to get his wife and baby girl last week. Now the great difficulty is getting an apartment within reason that they can rent here in Lawrence but we have every confidence that we can get something and they perhaps will be in Lawrence by November 1.

I got a letter from Otto Schnellbacher the other day from Hondo, Texas, saying that he was hoping to be released soon and gave me the name of Pvt. Edward Sobczak. Otto was trying to get Sobczak to enroll here when he returns.

Jack Ballard is hoping to be released soon but it not certain. I have not heard from Armon Dixon lately but his foreign service ought to help him quite a bit. He has been over quite awhile.

Ray, will you write me and let me know if Bob Hendren has any promotion or if he is still a Cpl. He did not answer me and I want to write him but if he has a higher rank I want to address him correctly. I am terribly interested in doing everything within reason to see that he enters the University. He certainly would be a darling. Did you ever see a six foot eight inch guard the size of Bob Hendren?

Mary Allen Hamilton sent me a clipping from the San Francisco Chronicle Sporting Green edited by Bill Leiser as of Monday, September 24 showing the penalty play on Patterson. That 62,000 in Kezar Stadium was a lolly. From the photograph they had you in a bad spot coming from behind and I still think that your left arm went into that ball before you hit the fellow. Mary said it was a great game as she is loyal to few star performers of K. W. The Hamilton's think that Ray Evans is tops and I know a lot of Allen's that have the same viewpoint.

Lt. Ray Evans, October 20, 1945

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I also have a letter from Everett Hill who saw your Air Force Super Bomber game against El Torro Marines from Santa Anna, California. Everett said in his letter: "I am probally a little prejudiced but I thought Ray Evans was the best back on the field. He passed for the only touchdown and all-around played a beautiful game."

Ray, will you write me at your earliest convenience regarding your idea of Cpl. James A. Kane's and Cpl. Bob Hendren's decisions concerning the possibility of attending the University of Kansas. With every good wish to you and every good thing, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach

FCA:lm

July 16, 1946

Mr. Karl Edwards
Department of Education
Kansas State College
Manhattan, Kansas

Dear Karl:

The name of the man who was leaving is A. M. Ackerblade and his address is 315 Mississippi Street, Lawrence, Kansas. He has a two-story house located at the north end of town with the lower part brick and the upper part wooden. I believe the property is in fair shape and there is a very excellent garden lot to the rear. You might write him and ask him if he is interested in selling, but I have been told that he is. I have no idea just what price he will want for it.

Congratulations on your new job down here. I think you will like it and I am sure that they will like you. You will find that Dean George Baxter Smith is a humdinger and a dandy man for whom to work. I am looking forward to seeing you and I will keep my eyes and ears open for any possible house that might turn up.

Very sincerely yours,

Henry A. Shenk,
Director of Physical Education.

HS:MF

May 11, 1946

Mr. Howard Engleman
1323 Ohio
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Howard:

This is a sincere congratulation with the Allen household's compliments on your most successful race for the presidency of the ASC.

This is an honor that is rightly placed and it shows the fine leadership that is yours. Further it shows a confidence of your fellow students when they elect you by such an overwhelming majority.

May your administration be a highly successful one and may you and your good family enjoy all of life's joys and successes, as well as abundant health and prosperity.

Again, congratulations and good luck.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:MF

May 11, 1946

Mr. Ray Evans
Phi Delta Theta
1409 Tennessee
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Ray:

I want to sincerely congratulate you upon the fine honor that has come to you by your classmates electing you to senior class presidency.

You are certainly worth of this high honor and I am confident that you will conduct yourself in administering this office in a most modest and admirable fashion.

We are very proud of you, Ray. Congratulations and good luck.

Sincerely,

Director of Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach.

PCA:MF

April 2, 1946

Pvt. Gene Ellison
A.S.N. 37825519
112 Training Co., First Regt.
Fort Eustis, Virginia

Dear Red:

Your letter just arrived and I am answering it immediately.

I am happy that you are well located.

Yes, I wrote to John Helm quite some time ago but received no reply. Why don't you write him again and ask him what he is planning to do? I have not heard how he came out at Denver, as far as his individual efforts were concerned. I will be interested in hearing from you regarding Helm and any other matters that seem of interest to you.

We were not good enough for the Oklahoma Aggies. Kurland was just too tall and we could do nothing about it, try as we would.

We were very happy to name you leader of your group and I hope that you continue to lead as long as you are in the service, and then return to the university for your degree and participation in athletics.

Our basketball banquet is to be held at the Eldridge Hotel at 6:30 P.M. on April 9, Tuesday, and the Co-Op Club will be host.

Charlie Black just got back from New York. He played in the game in which the East beat the West 60-59. He enjoyed an interesting time.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:MF

Saturday - 30th.

Dear Mr. Allen,

Well, here I am in Ft. Eustis, Virginia for my basic training for either the Transportation or Quartermaster Corps. So, I thought I would drop a line to you.

On our way out here, we came through Kansas City the same night KU played the Aggies. I sure am sorry we, rather your team, were beaten. But here in the East, they rate Kansas 4th in the nation. The Aggies are first, then Kentucky and Yale are tied for second, and then Kansas.

I was very proud to be appointed the leader of our group, that went up to Fort Leavenworth, by you. I am also very proud to have to pleasure of knowing you.

I wrote to John Helm the other day and asked if you had written to him yet. I guess he did alright out at Denver for the National A.A.V. meet. He is one of my best friends and he

is really tops. We have a Company
basketball tournament tomorrow.
There are four platoons and I'm
on our team (the 3rd. Plat.) There
are about 300 men in our company.

Well, Mr. Allen, it is about
time for chow, so I'll close for
now. I would certainly like to
hear from you.

Your Friend,
Gene "Red" Ellison

SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY

SAINT LOUIS, MISSOURI

DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS
3672 WEST PINE BLVD.

March 21, 1946

Mr. F. C. Allen, Chairman
Department of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

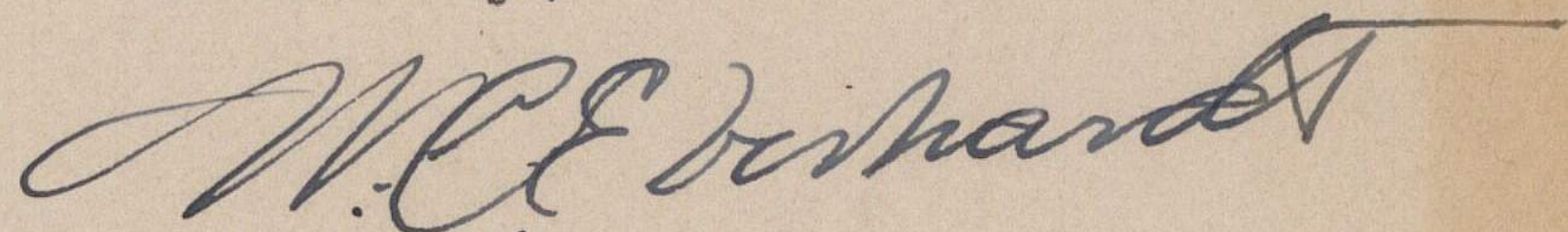
Dear Sir:

I am completing a study of twenty representative schools who offer Physical Education majors. Since your school is one of this group, I would deeply appreciate your kindness in forwarding to me the enclosed desired information.

I realize the imposition of such a request, and have consequently limited my questions to six.

I trust you will return the desired information at your earliest convenience, and if I can ever be of any assistance to you in a similar way, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



W. C. Eberhardt
Director of Physical Education

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I have answered the questionnaire & mailed it.

H.S.

March 15, 1946

Mr. Gustave Eisemann
3757 Paseo
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Eisemann:

As you have learned by our wire which was sent yesterday, we have absolutely no tickets for sale. Dr. Allen regrets very much that he was unable to help you in this matter, but the tickets have been sold out for a week.

Dr. Allen did not claim your money order from Western Union and advises you to go back through the Western Union in Kansas City and get a refund.

Sincerely,

MF

Secretary to Dr. Allen

Received

WESTERN UNION

March 14, 1946

Dr. Allen:

Money order at \$4.00 for Dr. Allen from Gustave Eisemann.

Message: How about 2 tickets for a Kansas medical student.

Gustave Eisemann
3757 Paseo
Kansas City, Missouri

I sent him a wire to this effect:

Dr. Allen out of town. Very sorry no tickets available.

Secretary to Dr. Allen

*Will have to endorse money order, receive
money and send him an order for \$4.*

March 7, 1946

Mr. Paul Endacott
Vice President and Assistant to the President
Phillips Petroleum Company
Bartlesville, Oklahoma

Dear Paul:

It was splendid of you to write me as you did.
Coming from you this congratulation is a real honor.

I am catching the one o'clock streamliner here
in Lawrence today. Hank Iba and his boys are on that train
and I hope to sell them a bill of goods for the Kansas City,
Missouri, location. More people can witness this spectacle
in this larger auditorium and that is the reason that I am
pulling for Kansas City.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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PHILLIPS PETROLEUM COMPANY

BARTLESVILLE, OKLAHOMA

PAUL ENDACOTT

VICE PRESIDENT AND
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

March 4, 1946

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

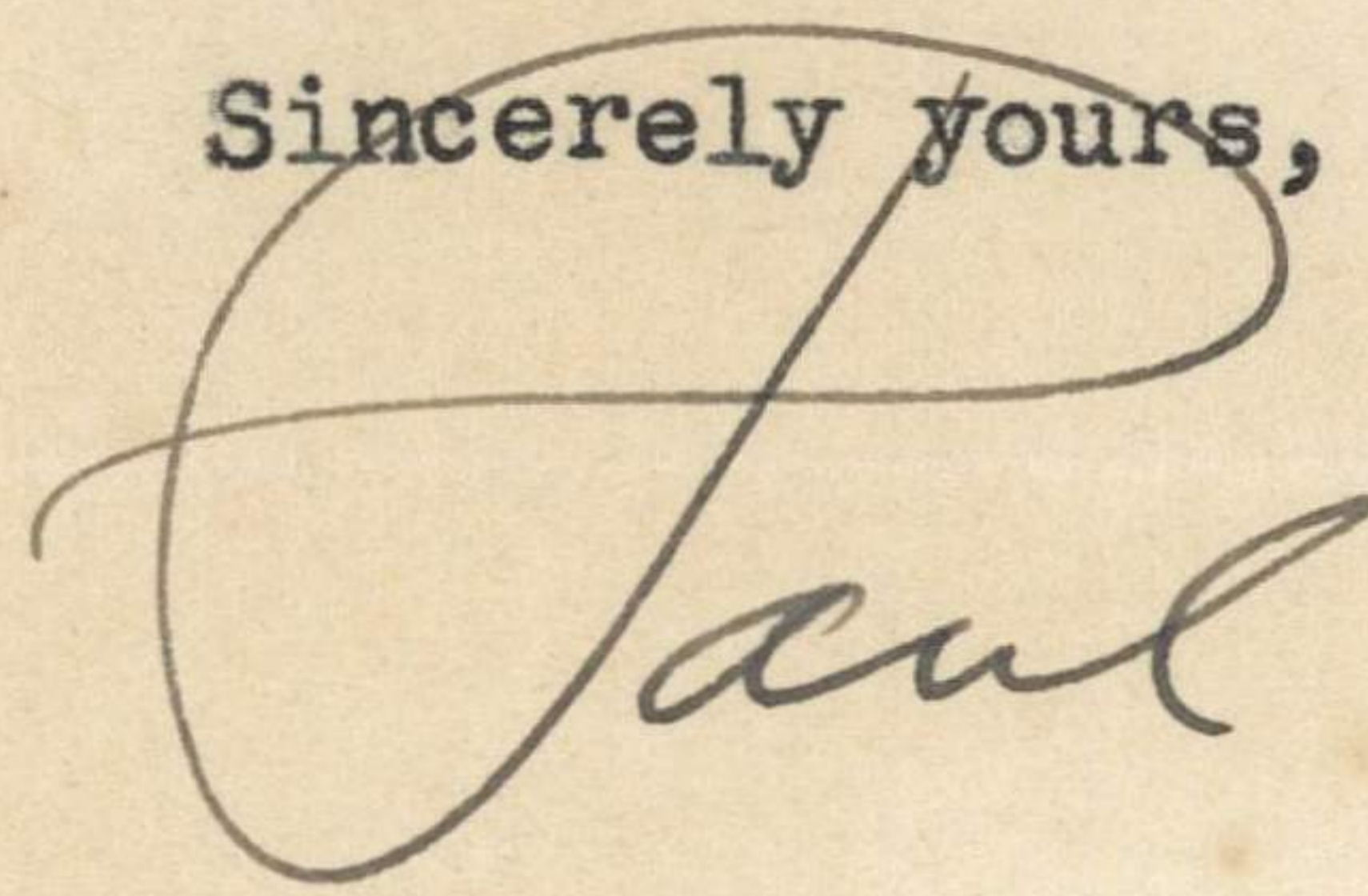
Dear Doc:

I wish to send you my sincere congratulations on the wonderful basketball season you have had and for winning the Big Six Championship in ever victorious style.

My ambition now is to see your boys do a real job of taking the Oklahoma Aggies into camp as I note in the morning papers that you probably will play them soon.

Give my best regards to Mrs. Allen.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Paul", written in dark ink.

PE.MH

Received

WESTERN UNION

March 5, 1946

Dr. Allen:

Congratulations! Just heard you won Big Six. Ever
victorious.

En's
Wright Field, Ohio

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