

November 21, 1939.

Coach Don Elser,  
St. Benedict's College,  
Atchison, Kansas.

Dear Don:

It was good to see you Saturday, and I trust that your boy got along in nice shape.

By the way, I see where you won the ball game. Congratulations!

I am sending you a carbon copy of the letter that I have written to Mr. F. W. Lang, of Forsyth, Georgia, so that you can see that I have taken care of your wishes in that matter. The Normalizer should arrive at your place in less than a week's time.

I am also sending you a bill for the "Better Basketball" book which I autographed for you and Marty Peters. I am sending the statement to the St. Benedict's College Athletic Association, and ask that you o.k. the bill and send it through for payment at your early convenience.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Enc.



November 20, 1939.

To -

St. Benedict's College Athletic Association,  
Atchison, Kansas

For -

1 copy of "Better Basketball" Volume and Treatment  
of Athletic Injuries . . . . . \$4.00 (net)

Forrest C. Allen  
Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach,  
University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.

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St. Benedict's College  
Atchison, Kansas

Nov. 22

Mr. Forest Allen  
Kansas University  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

I want to thank you again for what you have done for our boy Comp. He surely has a lot of faith in you, and so have we. We didn't use him last week because of the mud, but he will be in there this week.

I enjoyed the football game, but not the results. It was just one of those things.

I hope that I can work that S.M.U. game that we talked about. I know that you will be satisfied with my work. I have confidence in it.

I hope that some day I may be able to return all the favors that you have done for me, from the time of the relays a few years back until now.

I wish you all the success in the world for the coming season. I hope you win them all. Thanks again for everything.

Sincerely yours,

Don

Don Elser



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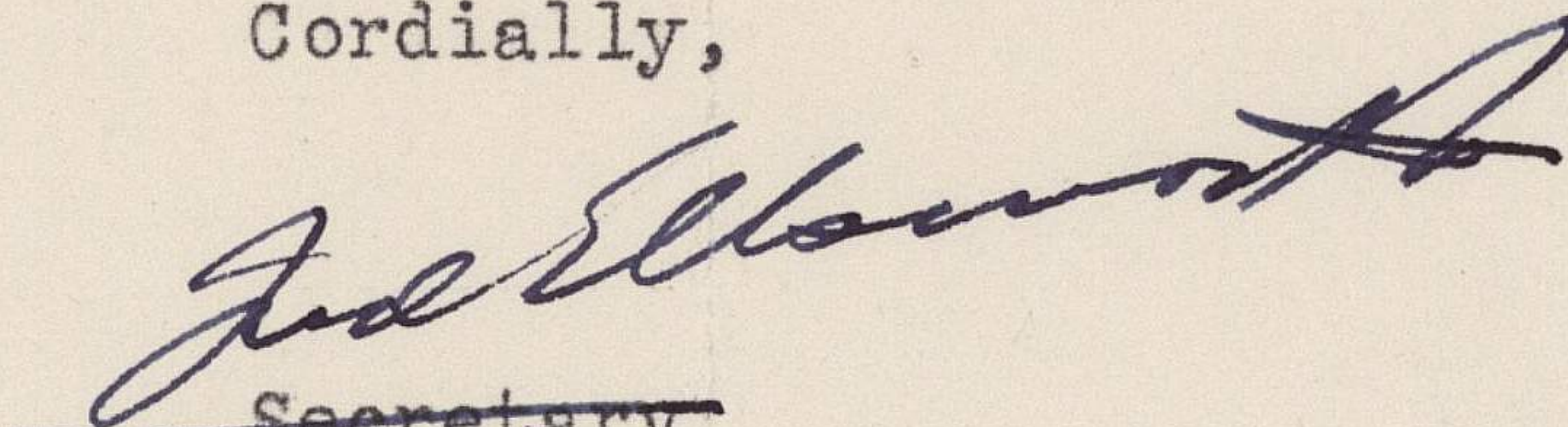
Dr. F. C. Allen  
105 Robinson  
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Dear Phog:

I have just been checking up and find that you don't get the Graduate Magazine. It occurred to me that we had better send you a copy of the November issue which carries the picture of the goal high game. *under separate cover.*

We enclose in this letter the two gloss pictures and also a tear-sheet from the October magazine with the article about the Loomis contribution.

Cordially,

  
Secretary

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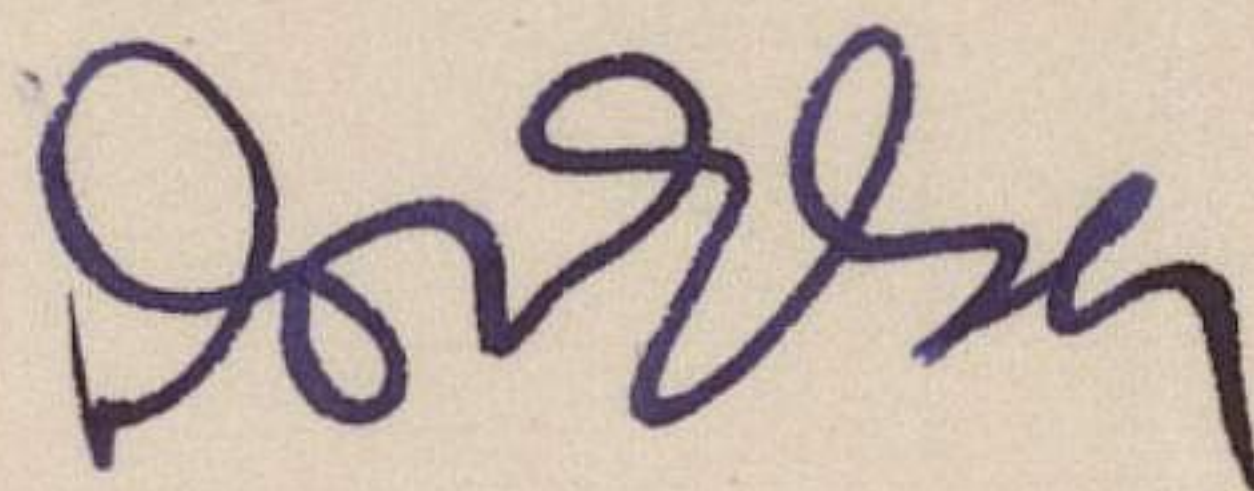
Dear Doctor:

I will be in Lawrence for the two games. Thank you a lot for the opportunity to work.

I mailed the check for your book this morning. I read it and it certainly is a great book. I have it on the reference list, and the boys really are getting a lot of good out of it.

Thanks again, and I will see you Monday.

Sincerely yours,



Don Elser



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Robinson Gymnasium  
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Dear Phog:

I send you a copy of the December Graduate Magazine and call your attention to several particular parts in which you may be interested:

- 1) Page 4 -- Dr. Naismith pictures and article.
- 2) Page 6 -- Sports, basketball.
- 3) Page 9 -- Your own article about John Carlson for which we thank you.
- 4) Page 14 - Picture of yourself, Bob, and Dr. Naismith.
- 5) Page 20 - Article, Don't Call it Ping Pong. Your Physical Education Department staff may all know this terminology but if they don't they may want to be informed.

If there are any other items of interest in the magazine you are welcome to read them too.

Cordially,

*Fred Ellsworth*

Secretary

FE/ah



December 28, 1939.

Mrs. Edythe P. Exline,  
8218 Lou Dillon Ave.,  
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Mrs. Exline:

It is with deep regret that I learn of the passing of your husband. I am sorry that we troubled you with this appeal for Phi Kappa Psi.

I am informing the chapter of Mr. Exline's death, and am asking them to make the proper records.

The entire chapter of Phi Kappa Psi joins with me in extending sincerest sympathy to you.

Very cordially yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



January 5, 1940.

Mr. Don Elser,  
Athletic Department,  
St. Benedict's College,  
Atchison, Kansas.

Dear Don:

It is a pleasure for me to write a testimonial of  
you to Mr. A. T. Lindley, of Crown Point, Indiana. I  
trust you will land the job.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Enc.



January 5, 1940

Mr. A. T. Lindley,  
Crown Point High School,  
Crown Point, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Lindley:

Mr. Don Elser, the coach of athletics at St. Benedict's College, Atchison, Kansas, has asked me to write you concerning my knowledge of his fitness and ability to coach the three sports in your school.

I have known Don Elser as an athlete at Notre Dame and all the time that I observed him participate as a football and basketball player, as well as a track competitor, I have found him always attaining to the highest point of sportsmanship and gentility. His is not the mere accidental type, but his coaching is based upon experience and knowledge. He is very clean and wholesome, and I would be happy to recommend him to you without reservation or evasion.

I worked with him as a football official and have seen him as an official in some of our Kansas games in basketball. He makes his decisions with dispatch, and he has the high respect of all the players and the coaches.

Not only would he make you an excellent coach, but he would make a fine example for the young men of your school. I am happy to write this testimonial regarding Mr. Elser's personality, character and fitness for such a position.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Jan. 4, 1939

Mr. Forrest Allen  
Kansas University  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

I have a chance of getting a very good coaching position in Crown Point, Indiana. I would like very much for you to send a recommendation for me. I know it would bear a lot of weight, and I surely would appreciate it.

The address is:

Mr. A. T. Lindley  
Crown Point High School  
Crown Point, Indiana

My home town is 15 miles away, and I can a good salary. It is a three sport set up. Here at St. Benedict's, one doesn't know what will happen.

Thanking you for anything that you may be able to do for me, and good luck for 1940 I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Don*  
Don Elser



February 3, 1940

Mr. Omer W. Bastridge,  
609 E. Washington St.,  
Lebanon, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Bastridge:

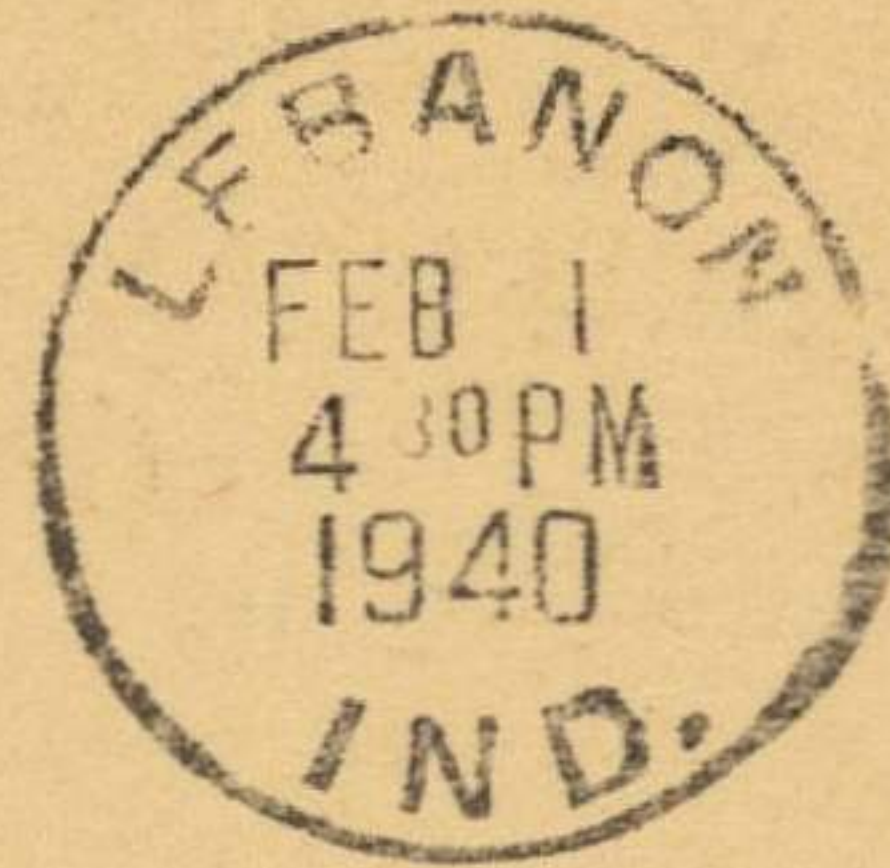
The ten schools in the Western Intercollegiate Conference or the Big Ten, are the Universities of Michigan, Illinois, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Indiana, Iowa, the Agricultural Colleges of Ohio State, Purdue, Northwestern and Chicago University.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Physical Education Department  
University of Kansas

Lawrence, Kansas



609 East Washington St.  
Lebanon, Indiana

Phy Ed. Dept.  
Univ. of Kansas

Dear Sirs:

Could you please inform me what  
schools are included in the Western Conference  
and what major sports are included in their  
athletic programs?

Sincerely,

Omer W. Eastridge



February 3, 1940.

Mr. Joe B. Elliott, Jr.,  
Area Supervisor, Recreation  
Area #13,  
413 West 26th Street,  
Kearley, Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Elliott:

I am hastening to reply to your inquiry of the first instant. I regret that I cannot give you a more fulsome report on Mr. E. J. Collins. He was a student here at the University of Kansas the year 1933-34. He participated in no forms of athletics and he had great difficulty with his studies.

It is my understanding that his grandfather sent him down here at his own expense and I am afraid that the young man failed to appreciate the fine generosity of the grandfather so instead of studying he devoted his time to non-productive activities that caused him more embarrassment than anything else. Even though he participated in no forms of athletics, his training so far as health and pleasures are concerned, were of the negative rather than the positive side.

I sincerely trust that he learned his lesson down here and profited more by his mistakes when he went to the Teachers College at Kearney where he assisted Mr. Dan McMullin.

We are rather insistent on a boy adhering to training rules, and I regret that I cannot say more that will help him. As I stated before, he did not participate even in any form of freshman athletics while he was here.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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D. F. FELTON  
ADMINISTRATOR

413 West 26th Street

Kearney, Nebraska

February 1, 1940

Mr. Phog Allen  
Head Basketball Coach  
Kansas University  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

In way of introduction, I am connected with the Recreational Division of the Works Projects Administration here in Nebraska. I have an area consisting of six counties in central Nebraska. At the present time I am conducting a boys basketball project consisting of some 200 boys in 20 towns in my area.

Through the medium of textbooks, I am a loyal student of yours and adhere to your philosophy of starting boys young in America's greatest game. Naturally I must have men of highest standards to assist me in such a project. I have on file and have interviewed a young fellow claiming to have played under your coaching, Mr. E. J. Collins. A high recommendation from you for this man would get him the job but my impression from the interview with Mr. Collins was that he was not as intimate with you as he would make people believe. Did this man at any time play under your coaching and could you give me some idea of his moral habits, etc., if and when he played at Kansas University?

I realize this is a busy part of the year for you and hope that an answer to my inquiries will not inconvenience you too much. I hope to see your team in action against the Cornhuskers in the near future.

Sincerely yours,

*Joe B. Elliott, Jr.*

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Area Supervisor, Recreation  
Area #13, Nebraska

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Training name too good -



February 9, 1940.

Mr. Joe B. Elliott, Jr.,  
Recreation Supervisor, Area #13,  
413 West 26th St.,  
Kearney, Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Elliott:

Thank you for your letter of February 5th.

I got the information that I sent you from Dean  
Nesmith, who is our trainer here. He told me about  
Dan McMullen. I am letting Dean Nesmith see your letter  
so that he may be fully informed.

I will be glad to see you in Lincoln on the 24th  
of February.

Thank you for your good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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413 West 26 Street,  
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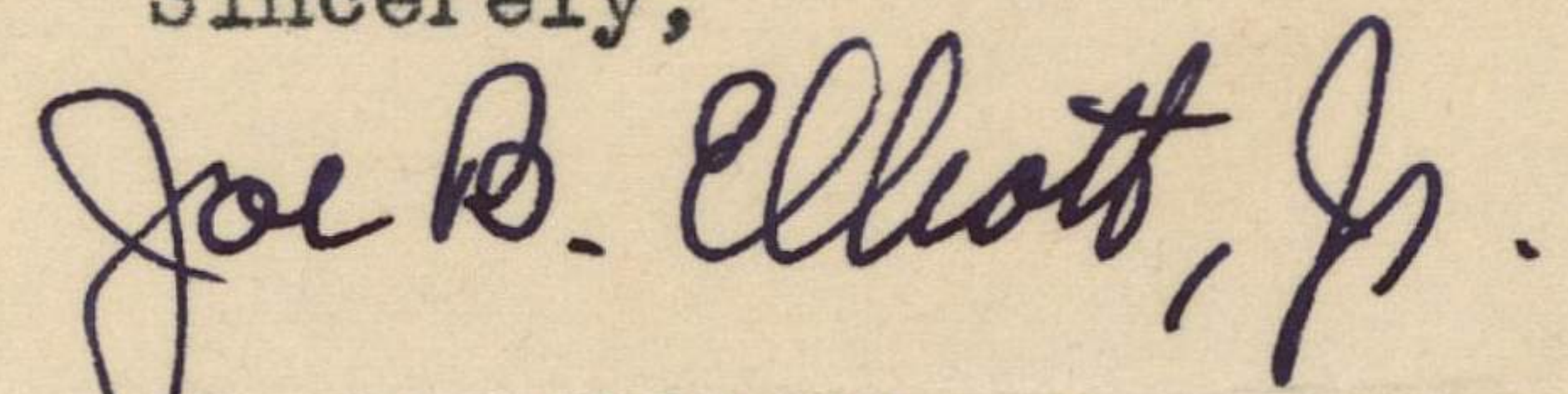
Dear Mr. Allen:

Thank you for your prompt answer of my letter and for the information you were able to give me on Mr. E. J. Collins. I found out the day after I wrote you that he had been dismissed from Kearney State, so his chances for getting into our program are now nil.

You mention in your letter about Mr. Collins being affiliated with Mr. Dan McMullen as an assistant. I am afraid this is another of Mr. Collins' gross exaggerations. Mr. Collins has never worked under Mr. McMullen. Dan is now Director of Athletics at West Kearney High. Previous to that he served two very successful years as Line Coach to "Pop" Klein at Kearney State. I thought it best that I set you right on this matter as it is hard to tell how far Mr. Collins has carried such a tale.

I am anxiously awatiting your game with the Huskers, and perhaps the chance of interviewing you personally. Best of luck to you and your team in the remaining games on your schedule.

Sincerely,



Joe B. Elliott, Jr.,  
Recreation Supervisor,  
Area # 13, Nebraska.

JBE/gc



February 17, 1940.

Mr. A. E. Eilers,  
Washington University,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Artie:

We are leaving at noon on Tuesday for Manhattan, but I am very anxious to talk to you. What time will you get in? I have classes from 9:30 to 12:20, and then we plan to start for Manhattan, but if there is any possible way for you to be here sooner, I will arrange to see you. There are a lot of things I want to talk to you about - some of them have a funny angle, and an interesting one, as well.

H. G. "Ole" Oleson is chairman of the N.C.A.A. Basketball Tournament Committee, but he has asked me to handle the tournament, and as local manager I have made arrangements for a hall and so forth.

The Fifth District Tournament Committee is Dr. H. H. King, C. E. McBride, E. O. Williams, George R. Edwards, and myself.

I want to see you if it is at all possible on Tuesday.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



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Address  
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Feb. 13, 1940

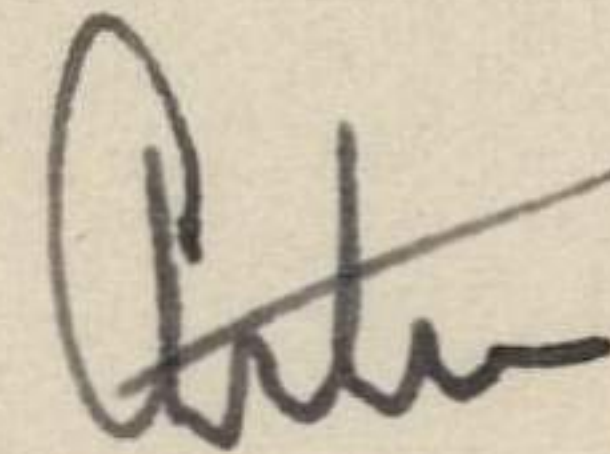
Mr. Forrest C. Allen  
Basketball Coach  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Pog,

Will you be kind enough to send me the name of the chairman of N.C.A.A. Tournament? Our conferences coaches want to go on record as supporting it individually. Or shall I send this sort of notice to another individual? I am leaving it entirely for you to tell me.

If you are going to be in Lawrence next Tuesday? I would like to talk with you about it. We are going through with a swimming team.

With kind personal regards,



A. E. Eilers  
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Dear Phog:

Here is the letter I spoke about. Please let me know whether there is anything I could do to push this matter along.

I saw a note in some sport writer's column that Gardner of Kansas State is going to Hawaii to conduct the coaching. Perhaps Confucius would say that "teacher should first show his stuff."

I want to say that this basketball team of ours is certainly keeping a lot of us dizzy. If you can get them through these remaining four games you will be a wonder. I doubt not that you can.

Cordially,

  
Secretary

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HONOLULU, T. OF H.

February 15, 1940.

Mr. Fred Ellsworth,  
Secretary, Alumni Association,  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Fred :

It was brought to my attention just a few days ago that an invitation has been extended to Glenn Cunningham through Daniel Ferris, national secretary of the A.A.U., to appear in two exhibition races in Honolulu, on May 11th and May 18th.

We K.U. alumni in Honolulu feel it would be a good boost for better athletic relations between Kansas University and the University of Hawaii, were Glenn to appear in the two meets mentioned above. Furthermore, Basketball is coming to the front as a sport and interest in the game has been so good that the Athletic Board of the University of Hawaii has invited the champions of the Pacific Coast conference to appear in a series of games against local quintets in February or early March.

We, from the Big Six conference do not know <sup>just</sup> how good basketball is played in the Pacific coast conference, but we do know that the finest basketball is played in our conference, and most often the best team in that conference is the Kansas team.

The appearance of Cunningham here in May would help lots toward the appearance of Kansas U. basketball teams here in December 1940, or March 1941. If arrangements cannot be completed for the next basketball season, maybe the following season could be arranged, that is, Dec. 1941 or March 1942.

It has been suggested that a famous basketball coach be brought to Hawaii to give a basketball coaching course sometime soon, and we feel that Phog Allen should be the coach invited. The appearance of his team in conjunction with his coaching course would be an ideal setup. We suggest that the Athletic Board look into this matter and start correspondence with the Uni. of Hawaii Athletic Board and see whether some satisfactory arrangements can be made. Should a trip of this distance meet with the approval of our athletic board and negotiations are started with Hawaii, we alumni here would be very glad to assist in whatever way you deem advisable.



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HONOLULU, T. OF H.

In regard to the invitation extended to Glenn Cunningham, it is hoped that the action taken is favorable and an acceptance is officially made. We trust that if decision hadn't been made upon arrival of this letter, that our reasons and the resultant beneficial good deriving from the appearance of Glenn Cunningham in Honolulu in the exhibition races would be given consideration.

Please give this letter from us Jayhawks flown to the proper authority. We would like to be informed as the action taken by the board and should this action be an acceptance, to be fully informed as to date of his arrival and departure so that we in turn may make the proper arrangements with the local committee for Glenn's entertainment. The track fans here still talk of Cunningham's mile race several years ago when he was here with other track stars enroute to Japan.

We are sending best wishes to the alumni association and also a special aloha nui loa to our Hawaiian chancellor, Deane Malott, and his family.

FEB 19 1940

Sincerely,

*Ben.*

Benj. T.H. Yap.

For the K.U. Alumni Association of Honolulu.



February 23, 1940.

Mr. George R. Esterly, Dean,  
University of Newark,  
Newark, New Jersey.

Dear George:

Thank you very much for your lovely letter of the 13th instant. I took your letter home and read it to Mrs. Allen and let Bob see it, and of course they were delighted. It was mighty nice of you to say the things that you did, because kind words are always helpful to us.

George, it was a pleasure to do anything that I could for your good mother and dad. They are wonderful people and there is nothing that I enjoy so much as doing things for our friends. I was down to see him the other morning and he is nearing top form again so far as health and vivacity are concerned.

We are still in the basketball race, but we have a very slim outside chance to do any good. The team members are not large. We leave tonight for Lincoln where we battle the Huskers Saturday night, and then on to Ames to play Iowa State Monday night. We are pretty badly bruised up as a result of our game with Kansas State last Tuesday night, and I do not know whether we have enough rugged boys to stand the racket as Nebraska is especially tough on their own court. A boy named Fitz has been out with a bad knee - a big, tough fellow, and he will be in the game again. He is only one of about six of those boys six feet four or over who will give us plenty of trouble there. They pile in on you and the referees let them go, so I do not know whether our boys will be able to take it or not.

Iowa State is double tough on their court. They have been in a very severe slump, but they have come out of it during the last week. Missouri has five seniors, one of whom is 6 feet  $7\frac{1}{2}$ , one 6 feet  $5\frac{1}{2}$ , and one 6 feet 4. It is an interesting thing that all of these tall boys are from out of the state of Missouri. Tison is from El Dorado, Illinois, Currence from Phillipsburg, Kansas, and Lobsiger from Gary, Indiana.

The tallest man we have on our squad is 6 feet  $2\frac{1}{2}$ , John Kline.



But anyhow, George, it is just a basketball race, and when it is over maybe I can breathe a little easier than I can at the present time.

I have charge of the National Collegiate play-off for this district, and then the semi-finals which will be played in Kansas City on March 22 and 23, and the National Basketball Championship of America final which will be played in the Municipal Auditorium in Kansas City on March 30. I have arranged to have at the same time a gathering of the National Association of Basketball Coaches and the National Rules Committee of the United States and Canada. I had the pleasure of engineering this arrangement and Kansas City for once will be the basketball center of the universe. I wish you might be here, but I am sure that your duties call you to more important places.

I want you to know that I fully understand your inability to make a contribution to the Phi Psi Christmas fund. You bet, I understand, George, and you are steeped in Phi Psi enthusiasm and love more than ninety per cent of the boys. It is not always the fellow who makes the contribution that has the fraternity most at heart, but if we do strike some of them who have the extra shekels that is well and good. It was not even necessary for you to write a letter of explanation. I know the obligations and duties that a young man has, and I know how heavy are your administrative duties.

Lots of good luck to you George, and our love to your wife.

Fraternally,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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UNIVERSITY OF NEWARK  
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION  
OFFICE OF THE DEAN

February 13, 1940

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

Dear Phog:

In a letter which I received from Mother this week, she included a clipping from the Kansas City Star concerning your son Bob. The letter also mentioned the excellent record which Milton had with you several years back. It certainly must be a tremendous satisfaction for a father to read such splendid things about his sons. Across the top of the article Mother wrote this comment about Bob. "Such a splendid boy and an A student also."

Mother mentioned in her letter that you had called at their home to give Dad a treatment in his recent difficulty. Apparently Mother thinks canned lobster was the cause of the upset as on the list of food to be avoided is that item. I guess I am truly my Father's son because I can't keep from eating things that I know are not good for me to eat. However, Mother told me that Dad was feeling much better again which, of course, makes me very happy. Being so far from Lawrence, I naturally worry when he is not feeling well.

Through the Journal World I have been following the success of your team, and naturally I am most hopeful that you win all the remaining games. Recently I saw an article in one of our papers concerning you and intended to clip it out, but I must admit that I was negligent. Our own basketball team does rather well when it stays within the limits of the North Jersey Intercollegiate League, but when we poke our necks out with New York University and Long Island University, we are considerably out of our class. This results in our being roundly beaten. However, our coach is a man in whom we have great confidence. I like his attitude, particularly concerning scholastic eligibility which somewhat parallels yours. He feels that first of all his athletes must be good students, and secondly they must be good basketball players. Somewhat following your line of thinking in asking for C averages from your players, he encourages any of his men who are having difficulty with their studies to ease up on basketball until their grades are in line. Of course, he is in an ideal spot because there is absolutely no pressure from alumni, students, or administration for him to win most of his games.

Well, this has turned out to be a rather long letter rather than a short one. Before I close, I want to say how sorry I was that I wasn't able to make a contribution to the Phi Psi Christmas fund, but you can well understand that



Dr. Forrest C. Allen

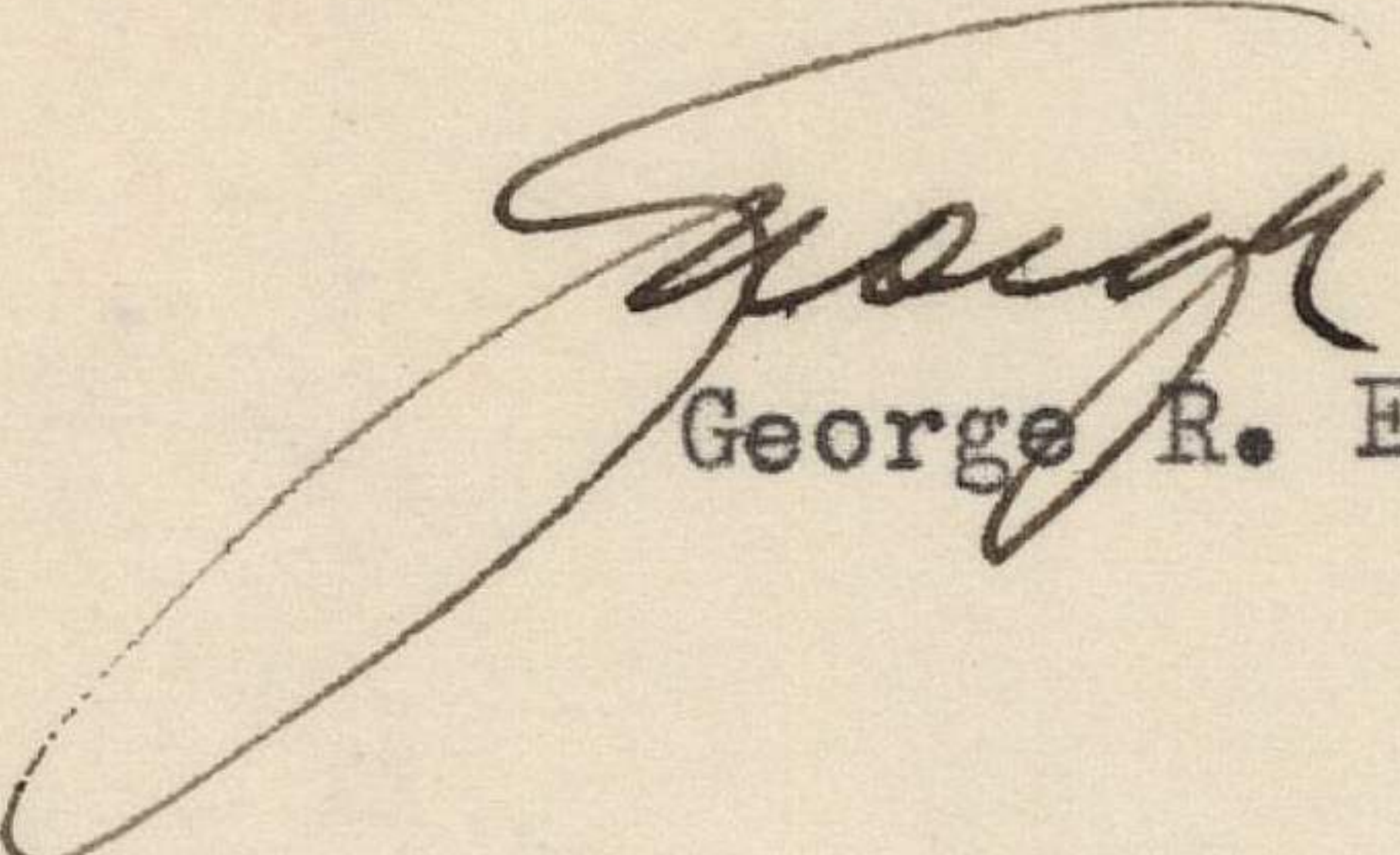
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if I am able to make any donations I should make them here. This does not mean lack of interest in Kansas Alpha but merely indicates the rather continued demands here coupled with the problems associated with academic salaries. I have been asked to serve as chairman of a North Jersey group to round up alumni to attend the Phi Psi G.A.C. at Spring Lake this June, and I hope that I can have a good number on hand. Therefore, if I can't make contributions in funds, I will attempt to do so in services. Frankly, it is only in the last year or two that I have received much correspondence or information concerning the Phi Psi Fraternity, but I find that my interest has not suffered because of the dirth of information.

Well, I guess that this is all for this time. Best of wishes to you and your family.

Sincerely yours,

  
George R. Esterly, Dean

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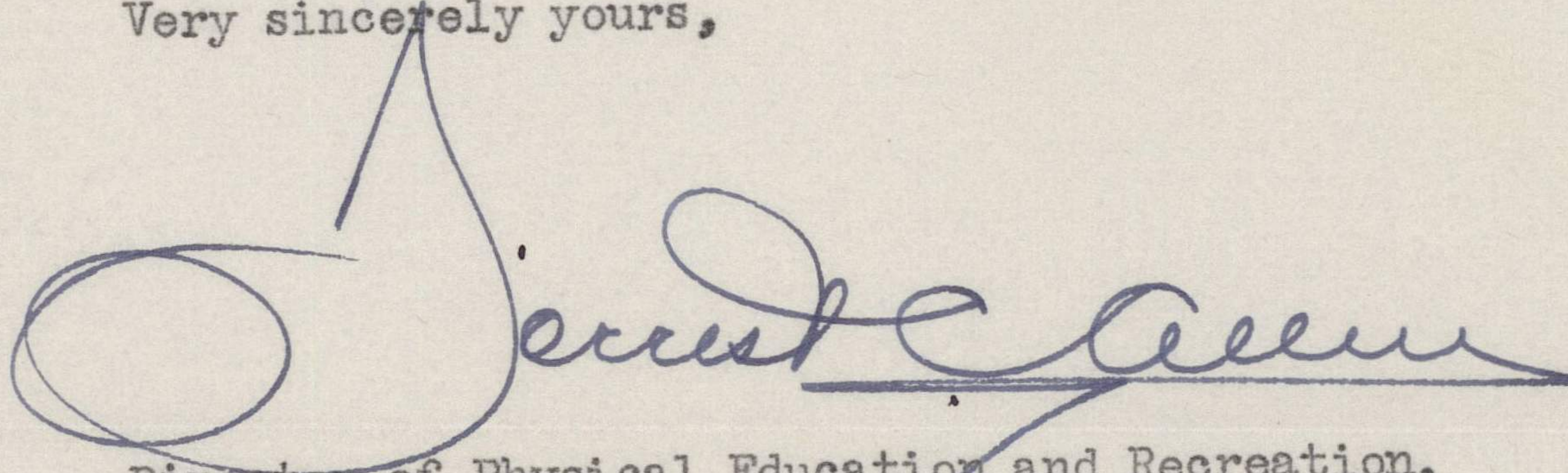
Mr. "Swede" Everly,  
Dodge City, Kansas.

Dear "Swede":

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 20 in which you name Advanced Basketball as your choice for the Summer Session. This seems to be the course favored by most of the individuals who have replied, and I am of the opinion that it will be offered.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ernest Allen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "E". A horizontal line is drawn under the name "Allen".

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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