

October 14, 1942.

Mr. Melvin F. Griffin,  
55 Roycroft Avenue,  
Long Beach, California.

Dear Mel:

You bet your life, Mel, I'll be more than delighted to give you an A Number One recommendation. Your work has been most deserving of such a recommendation and I know of no one that I would rather do this service of pleasure for.

I can appreciate how swamped you must be in your work. We are covered up, but still kicking.

Congratulations on your winning the state championship last year in basketball. Championships do take a toll because I see you have but one sub-letter man to build your team around. Good luck to you, Mel.

I know that you are happy that Virginia is not teaching. I certainly will not fail to convey your good wishes to Mrs. Allen. Bobby and Eleanor are both at the University of Pennsylvania and are getting along splendidly. Milton is assistant investigator for the Hercules Powder Company. Only last month he got a swell raise of \$50.00 a month, so he has bought a new home and really is on the way to build some durable satisfactions in the way of a home and a family.

Jane is married and was living in Chicago, but her husband enlisted and is now a flier at Pensacola. She is down there with him. Mary, with her three children, is living at Pale Alto, and my brother, Col. H. B. "Pete" Allen, is commandant at Pale Alto. If you ever get around Pale Alto look them up. They would be delighted to see you.

Give our love to Virginia, and best wishes to you. Also give my sincerest regards to Bert Smith and tell him that I would like to shake his friendly paw.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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