

BRADY AVIATION SCHOOL, INC.

Curtis Field

BRADY, TEXAS

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Dear Doc:

I have been wanting to write you for quite sometime now, but just haven't gotten around to doing that. I presume you have been quite busy as usual yourself with coaching schools, teaching summer school etc.

Another year is about to get under way and I know you are really busy getting everyone lined up with school. I hope you will be able to get a good crop of freshmen for future varsity material. You never need to worry about that though because these young boys know where to go for good teaching and coaching. I expect to follow the team's progress very closely this winter and I feel you will hold your own against any of them. Will you play the Oklahoma Aggies again this year? Beat the socks off of them Doc.

The Adjutant here at the field is an old coach from down Mississippi way and he really speaks highly of you. He used your book "Better Basket Ball" in his coaching and he thinks there is none better. I run across a great number of men that have done likewise, or men that have met you at various coaching schools and they certainly hold you in the highest respect.

I am enjoying my work here at Curtis Field very much. We have around two hundred aviation cadets here at the present time. We expect to be operating full capacity very soon. We can handle three hundred and fifty very nicely. These boys are the cream of the crop Doc. I have boys that were outstanding athletes from all over the country. They come from New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Kansas, and from all of the southern states. Quite an array of talent.

We expect to have a couple of pieces of your Goal Hi equipment one of these days. This field is far from being completed as they have spent most of the time getting the field proper in shape and haven't done any work on my athletic field. However we have been playing touch football, soccer, volley ball, badminton, base ball, boxing tumbling and wrestling. I give the boy's fifteen minutes of stiff calisthenics each class period. They are really physical specimens. We have a very nice recreation hall fully equipped with most every kind of recreational games.

We expect to have a large field house pretty soon. It will be necessary for them to provide us indoor space in case of bad weather. It doesn't get so very cold down here, but it will be cold enough for us to be inside at times.