

October 19, 1940

Capt. William Grady  
Fort Kamehameha  
Territory of Hawaii

Dear Billy:

It takes a long time for me to answer letters; in fact, your good letter of May 21, 1940 has been handled by me a dozen times. I thought that each day and each week and each month I would get to this letter, but it seemed as if I never actually got to the point of dictating the same.

Your suggestion is very interesting I would like very much to bring the team over, but with the war scare on and with me up to my ears in work in departmental activities, in physical education and my basketball, I am afraid I would never get around to it. And now the little Japs are raising the dickens, so maybe it is just as well.

Billy, I appreciate your wonderful interest and kindness as well as your loyalty in writing me. I have been approached two or three times upon the matter of taking the boys to Mexico and to the Orient, but it is always such a whale of a job and since football has been out of luck for so long I have always been a little reticent about promoting basketball at the expense of football. Of course, this is not being done, but some people think so.

Since I have been out of the directorship, the old cry that they raised for so long has no truth nor any punch in it. But they could say it while I was director. We still limp along and do pretty well, and I am much happier in my present position than I was when my winning could be criticized more than at present.

Thank you a thousand times, Bill, and rest assured that I appreciate it even though I feel it has been quite impossible for us under the conditions. Give my love to Pauline and the rest of the kiddies, and we sincerely hope that you people over there do not get caught up in this vortex of trouble.

With love and best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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