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December 29, 1939.

Mr. Henry Iba,
Coach of Basketball,
Oklahoma A. & M. College,
Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Dear Henry:

Congratulations on your very wonderful trip east. You certainly made the easterners raise their eyebrows perceptibly.

I noticed a story out of New York where you are in favor of the higher goal. I am glad that you came out with this because I am convinced that this will drive the basketball "goon" out of the game and we will have better contests all around if we use the higher goal. This driving in and laying them up under the basket, is a bad procedure. I would be glad to know how the east received your higher basket idea.

With all good wishes for a very prosperous and happy New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College

STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA

January 31, 1940

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

Dear Doc:

I am sorry for the delay in answering your letter, but we have had a pretty full basketball schedule up to date.

In regard to higher baskets in basketball, I talked to Bill White, who writes for Associated Press, while we were in New York. Bill is a former Colorado boy and was a friend of mine while I was at Colorado University. He was interested in the idea from a news standpoint. I talked to Nat Holman some about it and believe he might be in favor of a higher goal, although he wants to talk shorter courts. I really believe the eastern coaches have not given it much thought.

Personally, I would like to have higher goals to keep the big man out from under the basket and give the good shooter a chance.

From all indications, it looks like we will have a fine crowd the night you bring your basketball team to Stillwater. Looking forward to seeing you February 15, I am

Sincerely yours,

H. P. Iba

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Director of Athletics.

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February 3, 1940.

Mr. Henry P. Iba,
Director of Athletics,
Oklahoma A. & M. College,
Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Dear Henry:

I am sending you a clipping from the Wednesday "Daily Kansan" , January 31, 1940. Everything that I said is in quotes and the only reference I made to your team is that you were tops in the Missouri Valley and I mentioned the game last year between Oklahoma and Oklahoma A. & M. at Oklahoma City, with the Sooners winning.

I want you to know that I certainly never have prognosticated on the outcome of the Fifth District N.C.A.A. basketball championship. I was sure that you would not give credence to such a statement, but to make it doubly sure I am sending you the paper in which they quoted me, and I must say that they quoted me correctly in this.

Assuring you of my gumption in knowing enough not to make asinine statements such as I was credited with, and wishing you continued success, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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August 26, 1940

Mr. Ira Stockebrand, Coach
Independence Junior College
Independence, Kansas

Dear Coach Stockebrand:

I am autographing the book which I promised you. I thank you for the remuneration.

I am also writing regarding your foot. If I can be of any assistance to Dr. Blandin Smith I desire to say that you have an anterior sacro-iliac sprain. I have found by tipping the pelvis backwards that this gave you great relief, and of course, shortened that leg. If you will look in the book on the Treatment of Athletic Injuries, you will see the manipulation photographed there and also a description of the manipulation. This is given by Elwyn Dees under my direction.

I trust that your foot trouble will rapidly disappear. I also want you to know that I enjoyed your companionship and the visits with you. It was good to see you I assure you.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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February 6, 1940.

Mr. Bert Itoga,
Kahuku High & Elementary School,
Kahuku, Oahu, T. H.

Dear Bert:

Very happy to have your good letter of the 22nd ultimo. It was indeed interesting, and as soon as I received it I took it down to let Mrs. Allen, Bob and Eleanor read it. That is all the youngsters that are home at the present time. Milton is married and lives at Ellinwood, Kansas. Jane is an artist in Kansas City with Ritchie-Cooper. Mary is living in Louisville, Kentucky, with her family which is comprised of husband and three children - Lee, Sonny, Joan and Elizabeth. Milton has a young red-head named Judy. So you see the Allen family has a lot of grandchildren.

When I took your letter home to Mrs. Allen she said, "May I have it? I want to send it to Mary and the children." So I promised her that I would return this to her as soon as I answered it. That is why I am taking care of this detail at once. You doubtless will hear from some of the Allen family.

Now, regarding Glenn Cunningham - I would advise you to write to the Extension Division of the University of Kansas and ask them to forward the mail. Glenn is in the east in New York at the present time and will be there for several months. He will not return until after his indoor season. However, I think I had better do this - I will take the extract from your letter regarding Glenn and will write him, telling him that you are interested and I will give him the dates and ask him to write to Mr. Ralph Olson. I doubt that he will be able to make it as he perhaps has those dates taken at the present time in the States.

Bert, I am wondering if you have my new book, "Better Basketball". It has all the offensive formations in it, the very ones that I am using at the present time. Burt DeGroot had one over there and I am sure that you can get it in the library. Turn to the offenses, and those for three men out and two men in are the very ones that I am using now. No fooling - they are exactly as they are in the book, but the timing of the plays is the thing that makes it click. Why do you not have your library order one or two of the books so the boys may study them in their leisure time?

I sincerely hope that you win the Rural Interscholastic Basketball championship. We are in third place with three wins and one loss, and both Missouri and Oklahoma are leading in first place with five wins and one loss. I am sending you a basketball schedule so that you can follow our progress. It looks like a pretty tough row for us this year,

but we will come up with a pretty good team next year while the other boys will not be as strong. Both Oklahoma and Missouri lose four or five of their regulars.

Of course, we would like to play in Hawaii, but I am afraid the expense would be prohibitive.

With best wishes and Aloha to you and your good family, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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March 1, 1940.

Mr. Harold G. Ingham,
Director, Extension Division,
University of Kansas.

Dear Harold:

I saw Larry Winn and talked at some length with him, and I believe everything is under control. I will do nothing further unless I hear from you, but I assure you if you do call on me for anything at any time I will be glad to cooperate with you one hundred per cent.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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March 2, 1940.

Mr. Henry Iba,
Director of Athletics,
Oklahoma A. & M. College,
Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Dear Hank:

Congratulations on your winning the Missouri Valley championship! You are in, now, sir, and all you have to do is sit and scout those other fellows that are cutting each other's throats, making themselves easy prey for your doughty cowboys.

You mentioned the fact that should a certain Oklahoma team be eliminated from the Big Six play-off they were inquiring as to whether they could get in the Writers Invitation Tournament at Madison Square Garden. You need not worry about that, Hank, a bit because the Big Six rules can estop them from doing so. We cannot play in any tournament with the exception of the National Collegiate, according to our Big Six rule. This apparently does not affect your Missouri Valley like it does the Big Six.

If Oklahoma desired to do such a thing they would have to petition the Big Six Conference for authorization, and I know the Big Six Conference would not grant it. So unless they get into the play-off with you their tournament days are over for this year, at least.

This is for your information.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Dr. F. C. Allen
c/o Athletic Department
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Phog:

Just a note to congratulate you and your fine team on winning the right to represent this section in the Western Play-off of the N.C.A.A. Your boys really had a struggle with both Oklahoma and the A.& M, but we were pulling for you, although by remote control. However, we will be lucky enough, we hope, to be able to see you boys in action this Friday night and Saturday night in the Municipal Auditorium and we know that you are going to need all the help you can get, because the competition will be the best that is offered west of the Mississippi. Although K.U. will be the team closest to Kansas City and really should represent this district in the tournament, my guess is that half the people will be pulling for the opposition.

I saw the ~~court~~ quarter- of finals in the Inter-Collegiate tournament last week and it seemed as if you could feel that most of the folks in the auditorium were against any Kansas team. I know in the section where I was when Southwestern and Pittsburg were playing, that the crowd was against them and did not call them either Southwestern or Pittsburg, but it was "Beat Kansas".

We are trying to get as many folks as we can there that are loyal to Kansas on Friday night, so we can give you all the vocal and moral support possible. We certainly hope that team is in top shape for this week end and I know if it is possible to get them that way you will have them. We would also like to see them play the same type of game in the next three as they did in Oklahoma in the opening game, and then I don't believe even you would have anything to worry about.

Again let me congratulate you and your team and wish you to know that we are pulling for you 100% and hope that the boys play the best game that is in them this week end.

Yours truly

J.W.Irwin

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May 3, 1940.

Indian Archery & Toy Corporation,
Evansville, Indiana.

Dear Sirs:

A letter and package from your firm addressed to Dr. V. W. Lapp, University of Kansas, has been received at this office. Dr. Lapp is no longer connected with this University, and I am wondering if you desire to have these pieces of mail returned to you or forwarded to Dr. Lapp, who is now at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama.

Our archery classes are now handled by Miss Joie Stapleton and Mr. James Raport. Dr. Lapp taught archery when he was a member of our faculty.

Will you kindly let us know what disposal we shall make of the package and letter?

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

May 29, 1940.

Miss Elfrid Ide,
6 Perryridge Road,
Greenwich, Conn.

Dear Miss Ide:

I acknowledge receipt of your wire of even date.

It looks as if we are making arrangements with one of our University of Kansas graduates to return for the position. She has strong recommendations from the women of our department, and I am following their desires in the matter.

Thank you very much for your kindness and courtesy. If anything develops in the future I will be glad to communicate with you.

Very sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
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Miss Elfrid Ide,
6 Perryridge Road,
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Dear Miss Ide:

We haven't been able, as yet, to make a decision. I should have written you sooner, but there are several problems which have arisen. However, I want you to know that we are carefully considering your application. As soon as we are able to clarify some points that confront us we will communicate with you immediately.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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6 Perryridge Road
Greenwich, Conn.

May 20, 1940

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

Dear Dr. Allen,

As I have not heard from you since I wrote describing my delightful and interesting interview with Mrs. MacCurdy concerning dance at Kansas University, I wondered if by chance my letter miscarried?

The position sounded excellent. Stepping into a department established by anyone as capable as Mrs. MacCurdy would be a challenge as well as an honor. Also, I should be very glad to have an opportunity to carry forward my study for a master's degree.

From our interview, I realized that teaching in the mid-west would require a new adaptation of my training. This appeals to me. New environments, new people, and new ideas are great stimuli to one's growth.

I should appreciate hearing whether you received my letter If there is any further information that I can offer, I should be glad to do so.

Yours sincerely,

Elfrid Ade