

December 28, 1944.

Mr. Jay C. Hardy,  
c/o North American Aviation,  
Fairfax and Kindelberger Roads,  
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Hardy:

I am afraid an all-time all-American team in basketball would be very difficult to obtain. Mr. Grantland Rice is not an enthusiastic follower of basketball, but Mr. John Kiernan knows something about everything and I am sure he would come closer to selecting the outstanding men than Mr. Rice.

Mr. Quigley and I would be glad to give you our opinions, but I am not sure that they would be representative enough to please everyone. The Helms Athletic Foundation, of 117 West 9th Street, Los Angeles, California, which is a basketball foundation, would come nearer to giving you that than anyone else. I did have a copy of their report but have sent it out as a reference to someone else. I suggest that you write to the Helms Foundation for the information that you want and I believe they would come close to giving you the correct information. This is a nonprofit organization, endowed by Mr. Paul H. Helms.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.