

December 29, 1943.

Mr. Harold A. Hoeglund,
Superintendent of Schools,
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Superintendent Hoeglund:

I feel very guilty in not answering your good letter sooner, but it came just before a football game with Missouri and since then I have been out of town much on speaking dates and basketball games.

Without making more excuses, I will state that if you would write to the head of the A.A.U. at Denver, Colorado, Mr. Willard M. Greim, I believe you could get the information you desire. He is head of the physical education department for the Denver Public Schools, and I am sure a letter addressed to him will give you all the information needed.

These teams in the States are pretty tough. They are former college players and most of them are recruited from older and taller men, as a rule. I believe the only chance you would have with these fellows would be by giving everything you had in the way of rigid training and other cooperative measures. In other words, it would be necessary to be better than those other fellows in physical conditioning by running their hearts out and hoping to beat them after that.

I certainly would like to see a team of your boys go to Denver and clean up some of these high-powered independent teams. You will understand none of them are high school teams but they are from an older age group. If you could win it would be one of the sensations of the century.

I was mighty happy to hear from you, and assure you that I do remember you very well. Congratulations on your superintendency, and may the New Year be a very happy and successful one.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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