Mr. Emil W. Harman, Bellflower, Missouri.

Door Mr. Harman:

Miss Ruth Kenney, of the Extension Department, called to see why we had not graded more of your correspondence lessons. She states that you were quite anxious to have them returned because you were coaching and you wanted to get the criticisms and comments by me of your papers.

We have been tremendously busy in our Department of Physical Education with the soldiers and sailors and civilians, and too, we have a National War Fund Drive, in which I am serving as chairman for the University. These and countless other things besides my administrative work have kept me from giving full attention to your papers. Of necessity we grade these only when we have leisure time because this is not a part of our gegular yearly work, although we are happy to do additional work when opportunity presents.

In the introduction of your course I read with interest your age and basketball experience. Your purpose in taking the course is naturally to fit yourself to a better degree for your coaching. You failed to enclose a snapshot or else it was not in the papers when they arrived.

I will return your papers to you very shortly, but in glancing over your work I find that it has been quite thorough. If you are able to retain the work that you have put on the papers I am sure that you will do a good job of coaching. However, remember, please, that it is the proper execution of fundamentals, individual as well as team fundamentals, that determine the real basis of a successful coach.

I do very little scrimmaging until I have built up my boys on pivoting, passing and shooting in their individual techniques. Then build your team like you would build a house with building blocks. The morale and esprit de corps is the cement between the blocks.

I will be happy to have you write me and ask me questions concerning anything that you think might help you in becoming more efficient in your coaching. For instance, in your assignment number seven you write, "The low dribble is used to protect the ball and generally is used when the player is dribbling in close quarters and when crowded by the opposition." Now, if you will take the book and study it and then see that