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Dr. Forrest C. Allen
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Dear Dr. Allen:

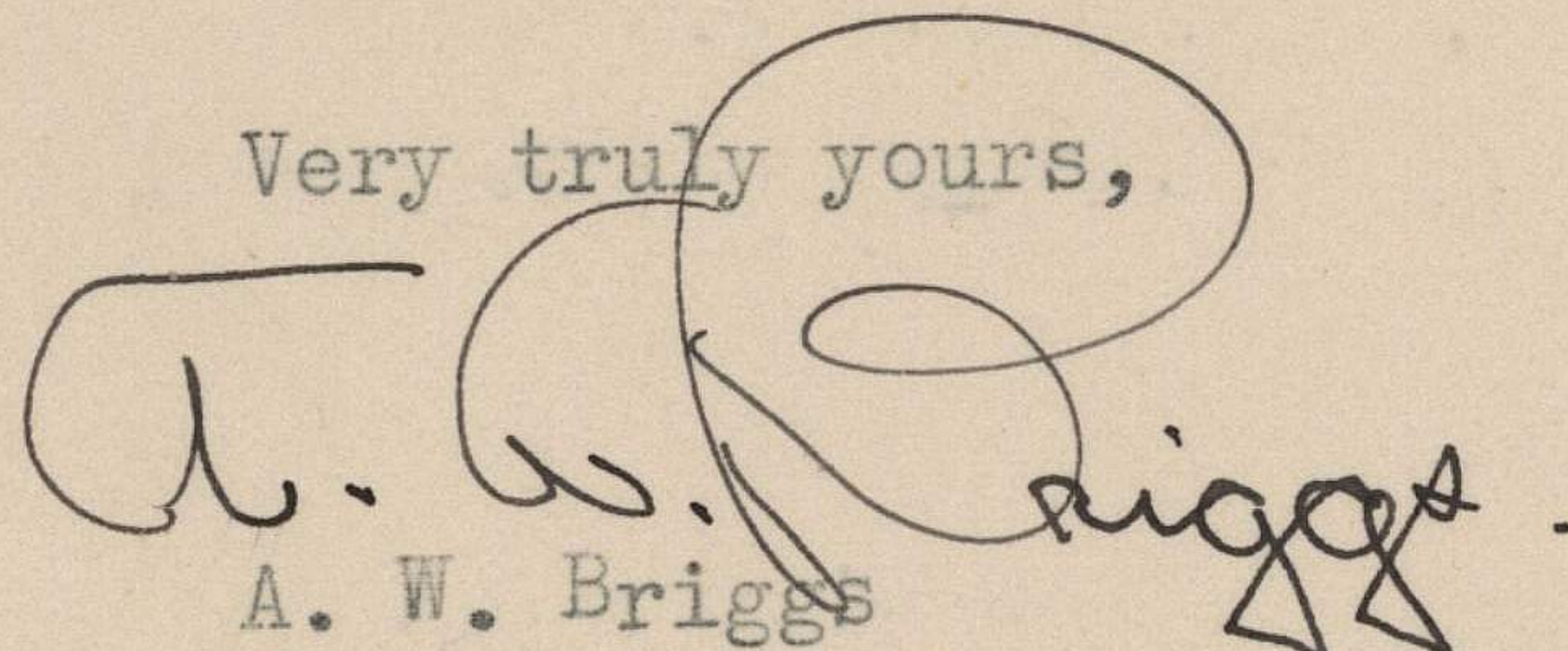
Your answer to my letter came to my desk a few days ago and your suggestion, I believe will help us solve our problem as to baskets in our new field house. From what I had heard I was under the impression that you had purchased a set of portable baskets from some athletic goods company, that could be set up in any part of the gymnasium. Your suggestion that we build a portable backboard of our own I believe is the only feasible way of getting one stout enough to stand the shock and offer the greatest amount of resistance.

I believe Mr. McDonald has written you regarding the distance from the back of the backstop to the first row of seats which will be 10 ft, but as our seats will be amphitheatre style it offers a much more difficult problem than it would if it were just a straight wall.

Your mention of the electric clock brings to my attention the necessity of having such a clock in our own field house and I will appreciate it greatly if you will let me know where I can obtain such a clock.

I believe we have a very unique plan for our field house, swimming pool, and stadium and as soon as the plans are completed I will be glad to send you a set and let you look them over. Again thanking you for your kind letter, I remain

Very truly yours,



A. W. Briggs
Director of Physical Education

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