

March 11, 1939.

Mr. Andrew W. McDonald,
Basketball Coach,
Southwest Missouri State Teachers College,
Springfield, Missouri.

Dear Andy:

Mr. Mano W. Stuckey, a senior in our School of Education with his major in physical education, is endeavoring to locate for next year. He has written Superintendent R. W. Anderson, of Neosho, Missouri, applying for a coaching position which is made vacant by Coach Paul Matthews. In confidence I am sending you a copy of the letter that Mano Stuckey has written to Superintendent Anderson.

Now, here is what I desire you to do for me, Andy. Since Neosho is in your Southwest Missouri Teachers College district, I want you to give Superintendent Anderson a fine recommendation in favor of Mano Stuckey. Of course you have not met him, but when I tell you that I will recommend him unequivocally as a splendid coach, a clean, fine, personable Christian gentleman and a man who is intensely interested in the welfare of young men, then I am sure you will not be reticent in recommending him. I feel that a recommendation coming from you, in Superintendent Anderson's district, would be worth a lot more than a recommendation from me in Mano's behalf.

I would suggest that Mano Stuckey write Superintendent Anderson giving your name as one of the persons recommending him. Will you be willing to do this? If so, if you will write me then I will communicate with Mano and he will write you, and in turn will write Superintendent Anderson. I think you can see the fine connection that this would bring about for Mano. If you will do this I will thank you for helping Mano along the trail toward getting a job. As you can see by his letter to Superintendent Anderson, he is married and both Mano and Mrs. Stuckey are wonderful aides to young people in helping them find their place in life's program.

By the way, Andy, what about this boy Eugene Watson, of Houston, Missouri, who is 6'8", and abides in your Ozark country? He is just about all that is necessary in the way of a young giant when it comes to dunking the casaba in the elevated hoop, is he not? I am wondering if he is going to your school or to the University of Missouri. Naturally, all the coaches in the Big Six will be wondering. Doubtless you have inquired as to his whereabouts after he leaves high school, and I would thank you if you would give me this information. Being entirely