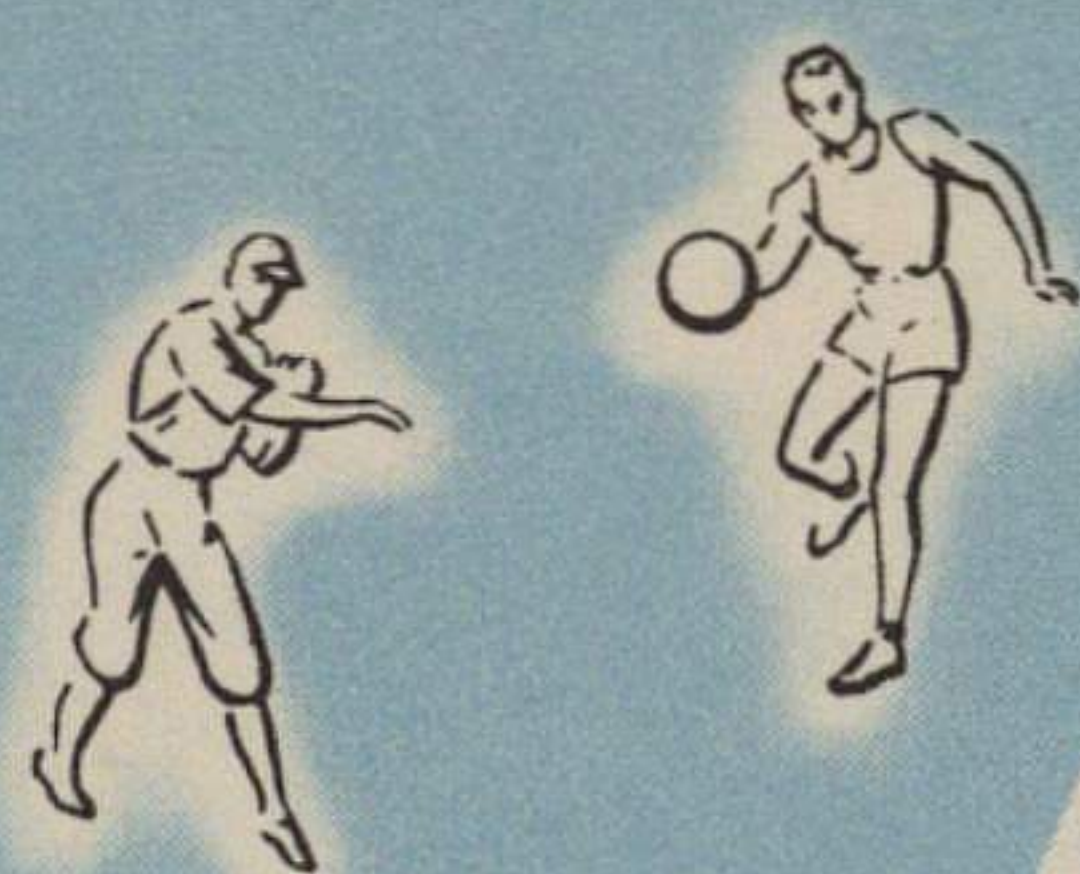


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Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Doctor:

These days golf balls are in about the same category as hen molars - they are hard to find.

On account of the restrictions placed upon the use of rubber, no manufacturer at the present time is permitted to make golf balls, tennis balls, or even bladders for basket balls, footballs, volley balls and soccer balls - the same goes for handballs. The time may soon come when rubber soled shoes will not be available at any price.

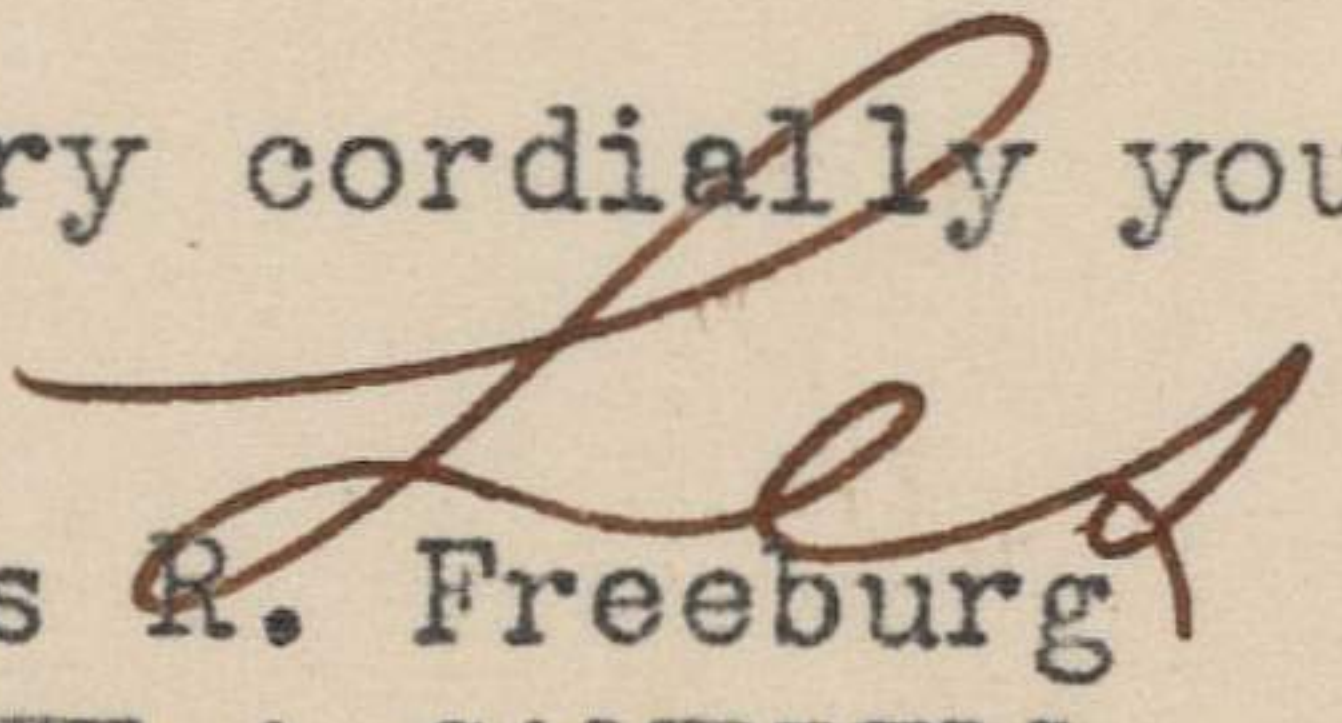
We are in hopes that some of the present restrictions will be modified, but until they are we have nothing to work with except our present inventories, which are decidedly limited, and this applies with full force to golf balls. Right now we do not have any of the Long Carry Balls in stock at Kansas City - we are trying to pick up a few dozen from some of the other stores, and we have hopes that we will be able to send you one dozen of these in about a week or ten days. However, these are not marked with the red dot - they carry the Wilson flag marking - in our line only the cheaper balls carry the red or blue spot marking, or a combination of the two.

Now I do think if no one is permitted to obtain an over supply of golf balls there will be enough to go around and to carry us through another season, but it is a cinch that if the factories are permitted to make any at all, it will be no more than 50% of last year's production.

It is probable, too, that the O P M will set up a schedule requiring the use of a high percentage of reclaimed rubber in golf balls, particularly in the centers, and this means that the 1942 production will not be nearly so high powered as we have been accustomed to using. However, they will be playable, and if we are all on an equal basis we will have just as much fun.

Just sit tight and don't worry about it - I will see that you get one dozen of the balls of the present top quality long before the frost is out of the ground.

Very cordially yours,


Les R. Freeburg
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