

October 17, 1945

O. Myking Mehus, Chief
Vocational Rehabilitation and Education Division
Veterans Administration
Board of Trade Building
1009 Wyandotte
Kansas City 6, Missouri

Dear Mr. Mehus:

I have known Glenn Alric Oatman for some eight or ten years. I gave him employment as a superintendent of our golf course here at the University during the time that he was going through college. Glenn is a fine young man with exceptional golf ability, having won the Kansas & Missouri Open Amateur Championship.

He was an excellent student. He had to work his way through college because he had no other funds. He graduated in the School of Business and in my opinion is a highly intellectual young man. He also coached the track and tennis team of the University after his graduation. It was part time, he not being on permanent tenure. Mr. Oatman is loyal to his superiors and cooperates well. He is thoroughly reliable and dependable and has no bad habits. He does not gamble nor use narcotics or alcohol. He has high intelligence and gets things done.

However, he does have at times a slight inferior complex. He is the type that could be easily self-abused. In other words, he feels that he has gotten the short end of the stick while he was serving and the other fellows were making money. If he would forget that angle he would be much better off. The war has not been responsible for this attitude altogether. He had it in a large part when going through the University and after he was finished. He sees other fellows in a far more lucrative business or he sometimes views the son of a wealthy parent and he makes comparisons, leaving himself in the unfortunate position of wondering why these things could not come to him.

I have been pretty rough on him concerning these viewpoints and I wonder sometimes if he does not think I am a little unsympathetic. I give you these things so that you may have the whole picture as I see it.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach

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VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

Board of Trade Building

1009 Wyandotte

Kansas City 6, Missouri

October 15, 1945



YOUR FILE REFERENCE:

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Dr. F. C. Allen,
Dir., Phy. Ed. Dept.,
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

GLENN ALRIC OATMAN of Independence, Missouri
has applied to us for a position with our Vocational Rehabilitation and
Education Division.

I will appreciate it very much if you will give me a frank and
candid statement of his character, ability and general qualifications for
such a position. Is he loyal to his superiors and does he cooperate well?
Does he get along well with his co-workers and other people? Is he thor-
oughly reliable and dependable? Is he tactful? Does he have high general
intelligence? Is his health good? Does he get things done--that is, does
he have an abundance of drive and push?

Any other information that you can give me about this applicant
will be greatly appreciated. Anything you say will be held in the strictest
confidence.

I am enclosing a franked envelope for your reply.

Very sincerely yours,

O. MYKING MEHUS, Chief,
Vocational Rehabilitation
and Education Division

Enc:env.

October 9, 1945

R. H. Malott, RT 3/c
Co. 82-4 Bks. 18 R.M.S.
Treasure Island, Calif.

Dear Bob:

I have just received your good letter of the fourth instant, and we are trying to dig up a size 12 pair of shoes for you, even though they are worn somewhat. We will try to get them off to you shortly. Our property man says that we are bereft of no. 12 shoes at present, but I'll see if I can perform a miracle. I assure you that if there is any way to get you a pair of shoes pronto, we'll do the job.

We'll be glad to see you around December 1, and extend a hearty invitation for you to work out with our group. The caliber is better, but they are very youthful in age. None of the oldsters are returning for awhile.

I can appreciate how busy you are in your school work, and I imagine the Rebound serves as rather a bit of recreative reading, and in getting you away from the grind of navy duty and study. I am glad that you had a chance to see Ray Evans; he is a great chap. Bobby and my son-in-law, Lee Hamilton, had a visit with Ray also. Bobby was here this last week end. He had a group of casualties to deliver to the Norman, Oklahoma, hospital. Here is his address: Lt. (jg) Robert Allen, USMC, U.S.N. Receiving Hospital, Geneva Avenue and Moscow Street, San Francisco 12, California. I am sorry that I do not know his telephone number, but if you do not find the hospital number, my oldest daughter, Mrs. L. P. Hamilton, 860 Center Drive, Palo Alto, California, could probably help you. She is my daughter, Mary, and has three children, Lee, Joan, and Elizabeth. If you call them and tell them who you are, they will doubtlessly be able to give you Bob's number. Bob thinks Tokyo will be his next call; he is expecting it any moment. So, be sure and call the Hamiltons up, they will be glad to hear from you, and I am sure you will be able to get on the track of Bob because he is just arriving in Frisco about now by plane.

Kansas played a good game against T.C.U. However, you would have been delighted to have seen the Iowa State game. It was a wonderful game, and Kansas played fine ball.

I'll remember you to Mrs. Allen, but Mrs. Hulteen is not with us now. She gave up her job July 1, and is raising her family now. She is expecting George home from Burma most any minute.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Forrest C. Allen, Director
Department of Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach

FAns



UNITED STATES NAVY

October 4, 1945

Dear "Doc,"

Just a note to ask you a favor as, say, hello. The basketball team here is very poorly equipped with shoes - particularly size 12. "Doc," could you possibly send me a pair to use for a month or so. I am leaving this base about Dec. 1st for overseas via Lawrence - for a short leave - I could bring them back to K.I. then. I certainly would appreciate it.

I have enjoyed your rebounds immensely although it takes me almost a month to get it completely read - with 14 hours of school work a day plus a couple of hours of basketball practice.

Saw Ray Brown in San Francisco last weekend after the game between 7th Air Force and Fleet City. Sinkwich might be doing the publicity getting but Ray is certainly playing a beautiful game &

football. He mentioned having
seen Bobby who I understand
has recently been sent out to
the Bay area. Doc, would you
please send me his address and
his phone number. if you know
it - I might be able to see him or
at least call him before I leave.

I have seen a lot of west coast
football this year and as yet
fail to see where they've got the
old midwest beat for entertain-
ment. Of course, service leagues
are different - one game for instance
boasted 17 All-Americans. That
would obviously guarantee good
football.

I was sorry to hear of K.V.'s loss
to T.C.V. but I gather the game
didn't warrant such a one sided
score. That Denver score sounded
plenty ok and tell Mr. Shenk
I rooting for him - I know we'll
do well this year!

Thanks "Sue" - my best to
Mrs. Allen & Mrs. Kulturen -

See you soon

Sincerely
Bob Malott

September 25, 1945

Mr. John David Montgomery, Editor & Publisher
Miami Beach Daily
Miami Beach, Florida

Dear Johnny:

Fred Harris, a Lawrence boy who was our star punter on our football team, forward in basketball, and a hurdler on the track team in 1933-35 has been stationed at Richmond Air Station the first eighteen months that he was in the service in 1942-43.

Fred majored in physical education and journalism and has his A.B. from Kansas University. He knows basketball fundamentals very well and has had unusual success in coaching the sport. He took a group from the Richmond Air Station and beat Miami in 1943.

Fred thinks he would like this spot if all things turned out satisfactorily. I am wondering if you could quietly inquire into the situation and let me know what the possibilities are. Fred could assist as well as coach track, and in addition to that he would be a very able man in physical education as he has done mostly that in the Navy.

He was discharged last week and he had a Lt. j.g. commission when he quit the Navy. And too, John, he is not a bad journalist. Maybe the editor and published might be interested.

This afternoon Fred and I were recalling some of your strenuous and manly art of self-defense. When I described you Fred said, "hd is that little dark complexioned fellow that was always knocking his opponent out". I would appreciate your writing me at your earliest convenience.

I am tickled to death to hear the wonderful reports of your unusual success in Miami. I have been writing a monthly letter to the boys in the service. I call it the "Jayhawk Rebound". I am sending you one of the voluminous epistles which every journalist must abhor, but it tells you a lot about some of your brother Phi Psi. So just regard it as a Montgomery Ward circular.

Fraternally,

Director of Physical Education

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FRED MEDART MANUFACTURING Co.

POTOMAC AND DE KALB STREETS

SAINT LOUIS, Mo.

J. BANASHEK
SECRETARY

December 10, 1945

Mr. Forrest C. Allen,
Director of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

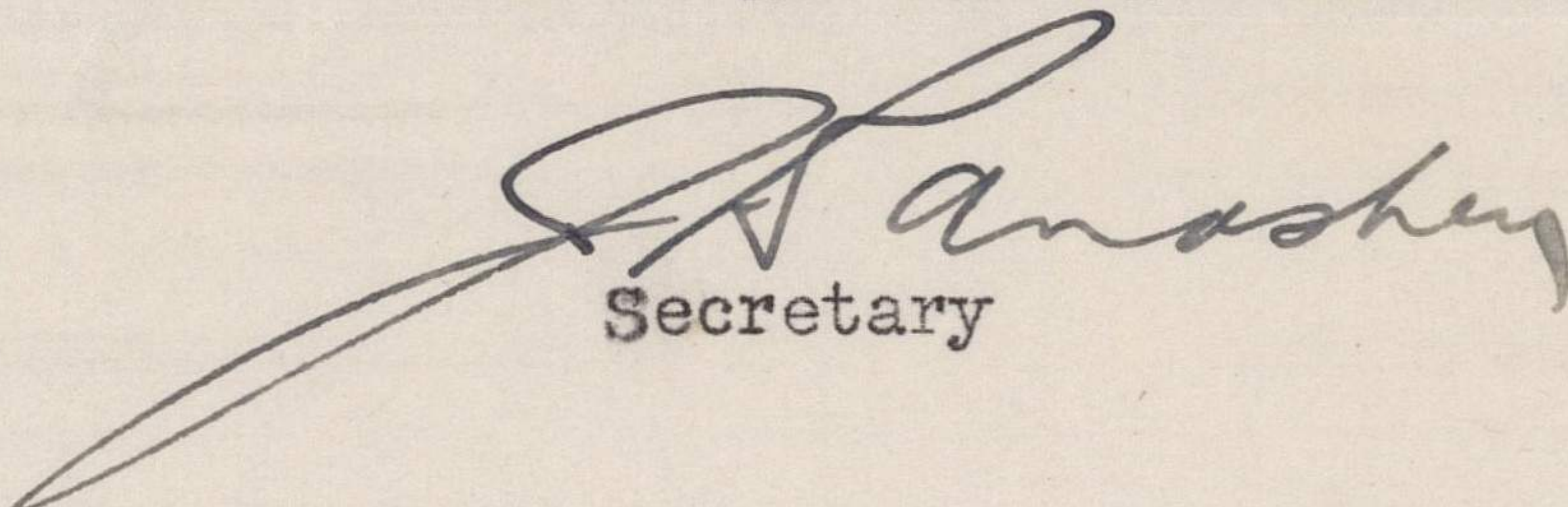
Dear Mr. Allen:

I have your letter of December 4 advising that you have received several protests regarding our failure to provide the rules book with shipments of the Goal-Hi.

Our Packing Department is, no doubt, guilty of neglect in failure to include the rules book and in order that you may be able to comply with requests for this book, we are sending you six copies under separate cover.

Very sincerely yours,

FRED MEDART MANUFACTURING CO.


Secretary

JB/rs

September 28, 1945

Mr. Arthur Morse
Graduate Manager of Athletics
De Paul University
2235 Sheffield Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Art:

I am afraid that our team this year will not be of competitive caliber to take on bigtime teams like De Paul. Maybe next year, Art.

I thank you for offering the dates on these top flight attractions. With very best personal regards. I am,

Sincerely,

Director of Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach

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Lt. Col. "Com" Haggerty

BASKETBALL COACH

Ray Meyer



GRADUATE MANAGER

Arthur Morse

September 21st, 1945

Dr. Forrest B. Allen,
Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Phog:

It has been a long time since I have communicated with you, but you will be pleased to know that we have maintained Basketball interest in the Midwest during the War, and have done a fairly good job at it.

We have always enjoyed having Phog Allen's team visit Chicago. The invitation is always open to you, and at this time I would like to suggest the possibility of a home and home series with De Paul University. We would like to play K.U. at your home, and we would like to have you play in Chicago. I can offer you the following dates in Chicago, if you are interested:

February 2nd, on which night Northwestern plays Notre Dame on the other half of the double-header.

February 16th, on which night Northwestern plays Illinois on the other half of the double-header.

I would appreciate hearing from you within the next few days as to your reaction.

With very best personal regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Arthur Morse".

GRADUATE MANAGER of Athletics

10 South LaSalle Street
Chicago 3, Illinois

Burlingame, Kansas
September 15, 1945

Dr. H. C. Allen
Dept. of Athletics
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

Today I arrived home from the hospital in Topeka and I should like to say that I cannot be at work as soon as expected. Gus tells me he explained to you what happened and I shall try to be at work on September 24th.

I do hope this is not too much of an inconvenience and I am sure I shall feel fine within a week. Since I live on a farm, the fine food will put me in tip-top shape in no time.

Thank you for your kind patience.

Yours very sincerely,
Lela Mings

September 13, 1945

Lt. Col. W. R. Compton, QMC, Assistant
Army Service Forces
Office of the Quartermaster General
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention Royalty Adjustment Board

Dear Sir:

I desire to make an explanation why the blanks which you mailed to me concerning information with respect to royalties paid and received by me which are charged or chargeable directly to the government, have not been filled out and returned more promptly.

I wrote to the Fred Medart Manufacturing Co., Potomac and De Kalb Streets, St. Louis, Mo., asking that they fill out the blanks properly, as I have no record of the shipments that have gone out from them on government contracts. I have a royalty agreement with Medart people and they send me a check every three months according to their shipments and their bookkeeping figures.

I am quoting a letter from them as of September 10, 1945.

"We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 8, together with Government forms for reporting royalty payments.

"The information requested covers payments as far back as 1939. In order to obtain the necessary information, we will have to scrutinize every order which we have shipped on which a royalty payment was made to you. As this is a fairly large clerical job, we will get on to this work as promptly as possible and will send in the information and forms to you just as soon as we can."

As soon as the Medart people furnish this information to me, I shall sign it and send it on to you.

Very cordially yours,

Forrest C. Allen
Director, Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach

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FRED MEDART MANUFACTURING CO.

POTOMAC AND DE KALB STREETS

SAINT LOUIS, MO.

J. BANASHEK
SECRETARY

September 10, 1945

Forrest C. Allen,
Director Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

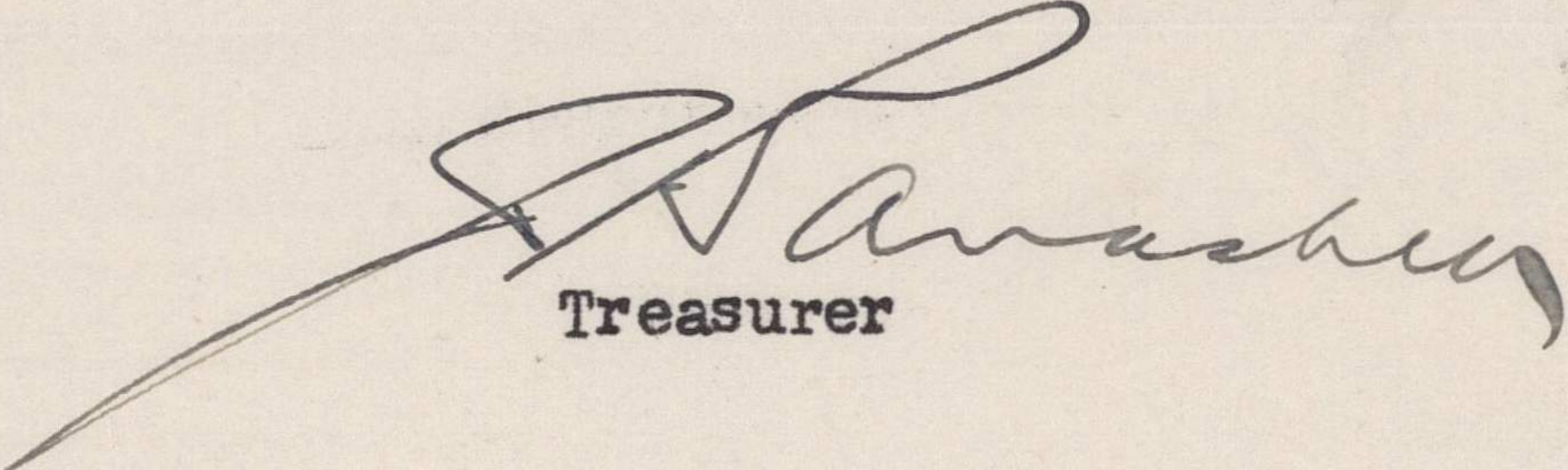
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will send in the information and forms to you just as soon as
we can.

Yours very truly,

FRED MEDART MANUFACTURING CO.



Treasurer

JB:rs

September 8, 1945

Mr. J. Banashek, Secretary
Fred Medart Manufacturing Co.
Potomac and De Kalb Streets
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Mr. Banashek:

I have communication from the Army Service Forces,
Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington 25, D.C.,
Att: Royalty Adjustment Board, asking for receipt of infor-
mation with respect to royalties paid and received by me
which are charged or chargeable directly or indirectly to the
government. Accordingly, they have requested me to complete
and return the inclosed form.

I am sending this to you, asking that you kindly
fill out the royalties amount in which your firm has sold
to the government and paid me in full. I will appreciate
this service as I desire my report to agree with your Cor-
poration's reply to them. Trusting this does not cause you
too much inconvenience, and thanking you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Forrest C. Allen
Director, Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach

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P.S. Will you please return the correspondence when it has been
filled out.

Communication signed by W. R. Compton, Lt. Col. QMC, Assistant
Inclosed 1. Form (dup) and 2. Cy of Act.
according to Public Law 768 - 77th Congress, Chapt. 634 - 2nd Session
(S. 2794) AN ACT

September 5, 1945

Mr. Peter J. Mehringer
972 North Normandie
Hollywood, 27, California

Dear Pete:

I was happy to hear from you in your letter of August 31, 1945. I am referring your communication to Mr. E. C. Quigley, our Director of Athletics, and I am sure that you will hear from him in the very near future. Things are shaped up pretty well here in a coaching way. I am sorry that you did not write me sooner, because there were some inquiries by college presidents, for coaches, but now with the boys in the service returning it looks as if there will be quite an abundance of coaches looking for a position.

We should be mighty happy to see you come back to the University to get your degree. You certainly have a fine quartet of boys. If I remember correctly, you named one son Michael after a great fellow and a great coach, Michael Getto.

Won't you kindly remember me to your good wife. With every good wish to you and yours, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Forrest C. Allen
Director, Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach

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cc: Mr. E. C. Quigley

IN REPLY ADDRESS
ROINCC, NAVAL MAGAZINE
INLAND STORAGE AREA
P. O. BOX 1116, CONCORD, CAL.
AND REFER TO LETTER

NO.

UNITED STATES NAVY YARD
MARE ISLAND, CALIFORNIA

August 31, 1945

Dr. F. C. Allen
% Athletic Department
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

How are things back at K.U.? For the past 8 months I have been working for the Navy as head of the testing crew at the Port Chicago Inland Storage Area, an Ammunition Depot. I have been wanting to go back to school but since the war started I have been frozen to my jobs and couldn't get away. Now that the war is over, I would like very much to get a job coaching football and wrestling and at the same time go to school and get my degree.

I have been coaching out here on the coast since 1936, assisting Gus Henderson with the Los Angeles Bulldogs and also at Occidental College.


Do you suppose there would be any chance of my getting on the coaching staff at school there? If not at K.U., I thought maybe you would have some leads for some other school in the Middle West.

I now have four boys, Peter, Michael, John and Robert-- quite a family!

Give my regards to all my friends back at K.U. and if there is anything you can do to help me, it would be greatly appreciated. My home address is below.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am,

Sincerely,


Peter J. Mehringer
972 North Normandie
Hollywood, 27, California

September 11, 1945

Mr. Fred S. Montgomery
Co-ordinator - Prisoners of War
University of Kansas

Dear Monty:

I am returning the copies of the course outlines which I should have done before. I was interested in again scanning it over, but the way things are going here at the desk, I better send them to you so as not to delay you. With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Forrest C. Allen
Director, Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach

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Inclosures

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE
BUREAU OF GENERAL INFORMATION
LECTURE COURSE BUREAU
BUREAU OF VISUAL INSTRUCTION
SHORT COURSES AND CONFERENCES

THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
UNIVERSITY EXTENSION DIVISION
LAWRENCE

DEPARTMENT OF EXTENSION TEACHING
BUREAU OF CLASS INSTRUCTION
BUREAU OF CORRESPONDENCE STUDY

September 8, 1945

Dr. F. C. Allen
Director, Physical Education
105 Robinson Gymnasium
Campus

Dear Dr. Allen:

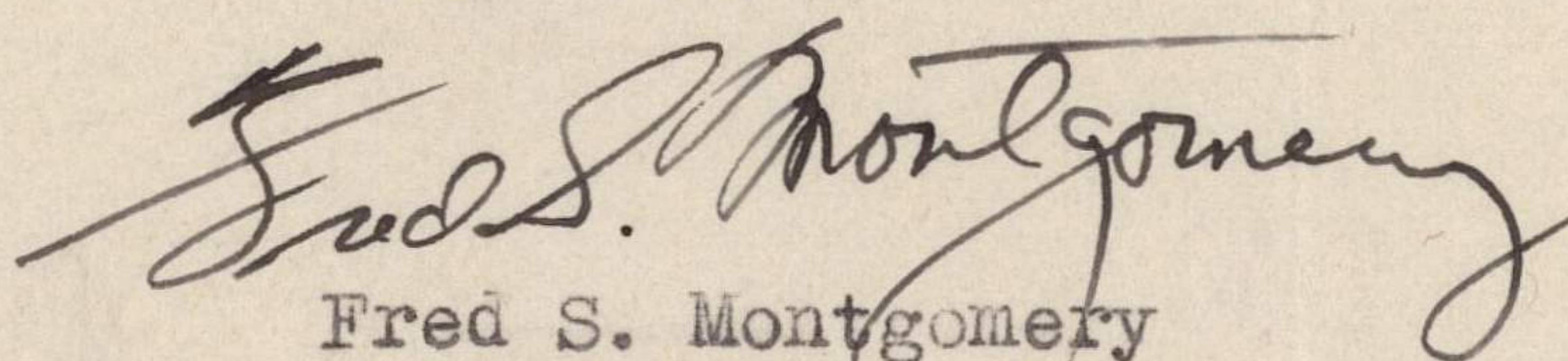
Thank you for your letter of September 5, concerning the course outlines and examination questions for subjects in physical education, given at the German prisoner of war camp at Concordia, and submitted to the University by the U. S. Army officer in charge of prisoner education.

We wish to express our appreciation for your evaluation of the courses.

Since only one copy of the course outlines were given to the University, we would like to have the outlines returned, to be filed at this office.

If we can be of service to you in any way, do not hesitate to call on us.

Sincerely yours,



Fred S. Montgomery
Co-ordinator
Prisoners of War

FSM/g

September 5, 1945

Mr. Fred S. Montgomery
Co-ordinator
Prisoners of War
University of Kansas
Extension Division

Dear Fred:

After having looked over the course outlines, and examinations in the following subjects:

Theory of Tools and Sporting Matters 6 S 1080

Theory of Instruction and Education 6 S 1081

Selected Parts of Gymnastics
Exercises 4 S 1083

Practice of Sports 6 S 1093

I am of the opinion that it looks to me as if this material is sufficient to give the students an excellent cross section of this work. I am not certifying as to the qualification of the instructors nor the quality of the work, but I am of the definite opinion that this should consume in the most profitable and education manner.

Sincerely yours,

Forrest C. Allen
Director, Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach

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THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE
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LAWRENCE

DEPARTMENT OF EXTENSION TEACHING
BUREAU OF CLASS INSTRUCTION
BUREAU OF CORRESPONDENCE STUDY

July 9, 1945

Dr. F. C. Allen
Chairman, Department of Physical Education
105 Robinson Gymnasium
Campus

Head of the department addressed:

You will recall the recent meeting at which the matter of the Prisoners of War at Concordia was discussed.

At that meeting, Mr. Malott requested that this office be the clearing house for the University.

The conclusions reached at the meeting were forwarded to the United States Army officer in charge of prisoner education. The material requested of the prisoners has been submitted.

Attached you will find the course outlines and examination questions in the following subjects in your department.

Theory of Tools and Sporting Matters 6 S 1080

Theory of Instruction and Education 6 S 1081

Selected Parts of Gymnastics
Exercises 4 S 1083

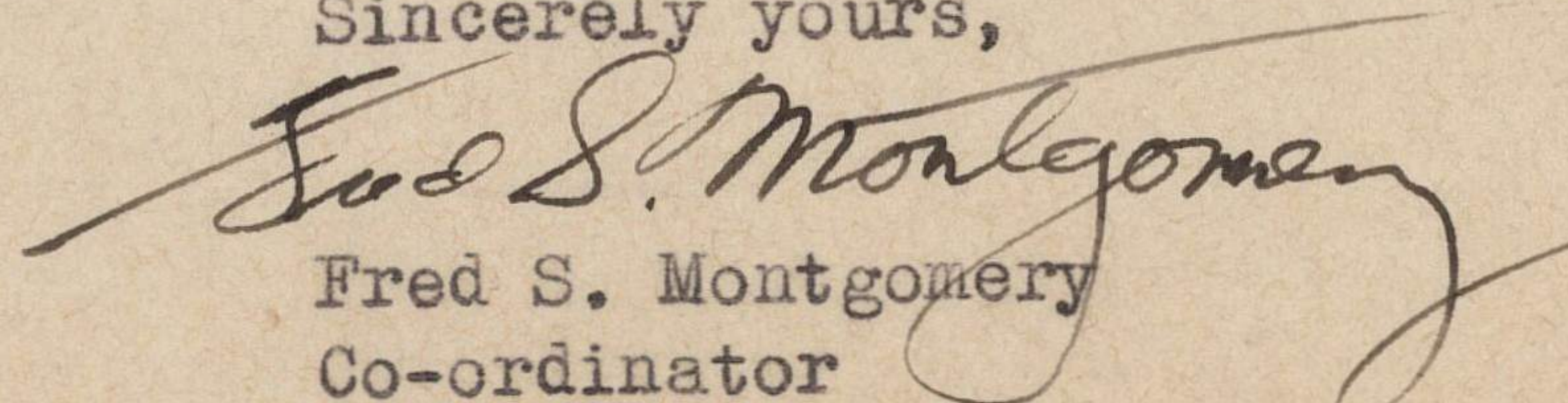
Practice of Sports 6 S 1093

At your earliest convenience, please examine the courses of study, and indicate if the outlines require adequate material for the hours devoted to each subject.

You will recall that it is the purpose of the University only to certify to the material covered in relation to the class hours devoted to study, and in no way are we to be responsible for the quality of the instruction or the qualifications of the instructors. Further, we are not responsible for the grading of students.

Since time is limited, an early written reply concerning the adequacy of the materials in relation to the hours spent is requested.

Sincerely yours,


Fred S. Montgomery
Co-ordinator
Prisoners of War

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