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

Dear Mr. Allen:

Thank you a great deal for your letter answering my own in which I asked for further information regarding Dr. Naismith, the inventor of the game of basketball.

On your direction I have written to Springfield, Massachusetts, in which city Monsanto has a plant, and have asked one of my representatives to look up all the information that the local Y.M.C.A. may have on this subject. I will also try to obtain the book, "Basketball - Its Origin and Development", that you suggested I read to help me in my story.

When I have obtained this information, have it in published form, I will make sure that you receive a copy for your own interest and file on the subject.

Very gratefully yours,

Howard A. Marvle

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Mr. Gunnar Mykland, Federal Public Housing Authority, 1700 Diorks Building, Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Gunnar:

Thank you for your good letter of the 2nd instant. I certainly am going to make it a point to come by 1700 Dierks Building and see you at the first opportunity. My schedule has been so strenuous that I don't get out of town often. I start early in the morning with classes and continue until late afternoon, and then come back at night for basketball practice.

We are playing five games in Kansas City, and I can arrange with the people at the Auditorium ever there so that you can get your tickets there and right in the Kansas section. I don't look to see many people coming from Lawrence, but we will have a Kansas rooting section, and if you will tell me what you want we can have Jimmy Nixon call you. We can arrange it the way you want it.

If there are any games here that you want to see that can be easily arranged with Mr. Falkenstien. I am enclosing a schedule so you will have the dates of our games.

We have eleven men on the football team who will be playing basketball, and frankly I am not too enthusiastic about our chances in the early games because we just haven't had a chance to do much with the group.

Let us know your desires in the matter of tickets.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

NATIONAL HOUSING AGENCY FEDERAL PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY

1700 Dierks Building Kansas City, Missouri November 2, 1942

PERSONAL

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

Dear Phog:

It was indeed a pleasure for me to get an opportunity to see the football game at Lawrence and run into so many of my good friends from the University days. I am sorry that I couldn't have been to see the Nebraska game Saturday, as it must have been a good one.

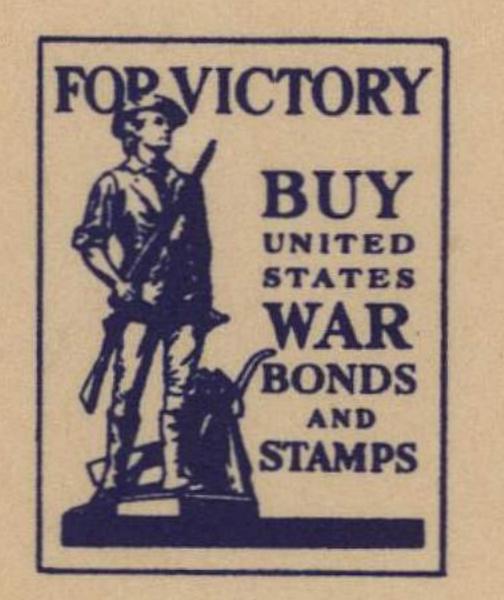
Both my wife and I are very much interested in seeing your basketball team play this fall, and I wish you would have Mr. Falkenstien send me two tickets for each of the games that is being played in Kansas City and I will gladly remit you whatever the price is, or if that is not possible, drop me a note as to how much it is and I will send you a check. I hope to get to see some of the conference games at Lawrence. We will have to withhold purchasing any tickets for them now, however.

I am certainly wishing you and your team lots of luck in the coming season. I expect and hope to see you in the National finals here in March. If you have occasion to be in Kansas City, come up by the office and we will be glad to see you.

Singerely yours,

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Gunnar Mykland



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

Dear Forrest:

I received your letter of October 29th with a copy of your letter to Mr. J. E. Kissell.

Your letter to him certainly was a fine recommendation and all of us at home appreciated it very much.

With best personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

A. B. MITCHELL

ABM/rd

November 7, 1942.

Mr. Elwin Mitchell, 1245 West Campus, Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Elwin:

You failed to show up for your assignment at the towel room on Friday at 9:30, which caused us a great inconvenience. This is a rather serious failure on your part, and I wish you would see Mrs. Hulteen, in my office, and explain to her why you failed to show up.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

MONSANTO CHEMICAL COMPANY

ORGANIC CHEMICALS DIVISION St. Louis, Missouri

November 4, 1942

AIRMAIL

University of Kansas
Physical Education Department
Lawrence, Kansas

Gentlemen:

Mr. Frank E. Milligan

Thank you for your purchase order No. 1398 for 150 pounds of Chlorine.

The forms PD-190 which you enclosed, however, are no longer acceptable. The War Production Board has revised these application forms, and you will find copies of the new PD-190's attached.

We are returning your order and ask that you submit it to us with the new forms completed before November 10, if delivery is desired in December.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Cordially yours

Pat Costello

Acids & Heavy Chemicals Dept.

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Mrs. Hulteen-

You can fill out this chlorine application, and return it, with the POV to the Company.

Seaver Owen

Resume of career

Name: Laurence E. Morehouse, Ph.D.

Born: Danbury, Connecticut, July 13, 1913.

Education: B.S. and M. Ed., Springfield College, 1936 and '37 Ph.D., State University of Iowa, 1941.

Experience: Assistant to Dr. P. V. Karpovich, professor of physiology, Springfield College (3 years)

Research assistant in physiology, College of Medicine, State University of Iowa (3 years)

Assistant in physical education and coach of freshman swimming, State University of Iowa (1 year)

Head, Department of Physical Education and Health, University of Wichita (I year)

Assistant professor of physical education, University of Kansas (present)

Twelve summers in camps and resorts.

One summer on national staff of American Red Cross in first aid and water safety service.

Publications: Ten research articles dealing with sports physiology.

Twenty articles on athletic training, conditioning, and health practices.

Edited Armbruster's "Competitive Swimming and Diving" textbook.

Mr. J. Banashek, Secretary, Fred Medart Manufacturing Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Mr. Banasheks

I am belatedly acknowledging receipt of your check for \$148.01 covering the royalty for the third quarter of 1942.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

FRED MEDART MANUFACTURING Co.

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SAINT LOUIS, Mo.

J. BANASHEK SECRETARY

October 8, 1942

Dr. Forrest C. Allen c/o University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

We enclose herewith check in the amount of \$148.01 covering royalty due you for the third quarter of 1942.

Very truly yours,

FRED MEDART MANUFACTURING CO.

Secretary

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Mr. Gunnar Mykland, Regional Director, FHA, Dierks Building, Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Gunnar:

It was a great pleasure to see you at the football game Saturday.

There are two home football games remaining on the schedule: Nebraska on October 31, and Washington University on November 7. You did not say how many tickets you will want, but I am enclosing the football schedule card showing the prices of the tickets for each game. You may send your reservation to Mr. Earl Falkenstien, at the Athletic Office, and I am sure he will get good seats for you.

I am also emclosing a schedule of our basketball games, and hope that you will find it possible to attend some of our games this winter.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Ensign L. E. Morehouse, Maval Training Station, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona.

Dear Larry:

One of the boys who began his Red Cross work with you, Elmo Geppelt, came in the office yesterday and wanted to know how he may finish the course. He stated that you met with the group for a few times, and then when only a few of the boys came they were dismissed. I told him that I would write you to ask what should be done for them.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Mr. Fred Montgomery,
Bureau of Visual Instruction,
University Extension Division.

Dear Monty:

The enclosed copy of a letter I have sent to the Chancellor is merely a progress report to you on the arrangements we have made for the Navy to use the large intramural field (Spencer Field) for their drill and inspection purposes on Saturday mornings.

We are happy to cooperate with the officers of the Naval Training Station.

Sincerely yours,

FCA: AH Eno.

Ensign Lawrence E. Morehouse, Waval Training Station, University of Arizona, Tueson, Arizona.

Dear Larry:

I am wondering if you will be kind enough to return the football tickets issued by the Athletic Association. Mr. Strait is here now and we would like for him to use them.

The tickets may be returned to Mr. Earl Falkenstiem, at the K. U. Athletic Office.

I trust that things are going well for you in your new location.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA: AH

Mr. Eugene Halone, Chase, Kansas.

Dear Eugene:

I am answering your good letter of August 25th.

I am very happy to have you write me as you did regarding the training with bar bells, and so forth. I believe that we can work out a program where it will be possible to have you enroll all the men who are enthusiastic students of your favorite weight-training and barbell instruction.

Who is your friend who expects to attend K.U. this fall who has had five years of training? I would be glad to have you come in the office and talk with me when you arrive. I can visualize the possibility of utilizing one of the three mornings each week for your group for this type of instruction. The other two periods will be diversified, including short conditioning exercises and incorporating the motor skills of running, jumping, leaping, veniting and climbing.

I am very happy to encourage any enthusiastic group in the furtherance of their skills and their desires. I will await your coming with pleasure.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Dr. Forrest C. Allen lo5 Rob. Gym. University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen

I am writing to you in reference to the physical fittness program that will be given to K. U. students this fall.

I am an ardent believer in training with bar-bells. Kansas
University has never offered such training to its students.

I would like to know if it would be possible to have a small colassiin weight training under the supervision of some member of the physical education faculty. I know several boys who attend the University that regularly train with weights. It would make the University if we could secure your permission to have a class in weight training.

Pertaining to the problem of materials and instructors—We have our own weight training equipment, consisting of bar-bells and dumb-bells. We have from 155to 2001bs. sets. We are not new at weight training. Whe have all had at least two years of weight training experience. A friend of mine who is going to K. U. this fall, has had five years of training. We have all taken courses in body building by weights from the great Bob Hoffman, editor of the Strength and Health magazine, manufacturer of York Bar-Bells, trainer of the U. S. Olympic weight-lifting teams, author of many books, and one of the directors of Civilian Defense in Charge of Physical Training.

I am not writing this as a letter of protest as to the system of physical training that is given to the K. U. students. I think that the present system is outstanding. I am merely hoping that bar-bells might be added as a special feature. All leading universities and colleges have some sort of weight-training program. Even our rival Kansas State has such a program. Professor of Physical Education Frank J. Thompson supervises this training. Prof. Thompson is also the chairman of the Missouri Valley A. A. U. Weightlifting Association.

I imagine you are swamped everyday by letters.

I know that it is impossible to please everybody, but I would deeply appreciate your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely Yours,

Eugene Malone.

Chase, Kansas

A sophomore in the college.

Major H. C. Merrick, Field Artillery, Wyandotte County Court House, Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Major Merrick:

I regretted that it was impossible to have the pleasure of greeting you on Saturday morning a couple of weeks ago when I came in with Charles Black, Jr., and his father. I was present at the induction of Charles into the Aviation Reserve and was much impressed with his induction. I always get a thrill from every occasion such as this. When a man takes his oath it is something sacred and stimulating.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you and your family, along with Sergeant Buckton and any of the other boys in the office, to the games we play in Kansas City. We are playing several games there and I want you to know that we would be happy to have you as our guests when the University of Kansas plays in Municipal Auditorium.

I am sending you our basketball schedule so that you can list the dates, and if you will be kind enough, prior to these games, to inform me that you and your family or the boys in the office can be present we will make provision for you.

At the moment the name of the major who inducted Charles slips my mind. Will you please convey to him the same invitation that we are extending to you? I think it was Major Head.

Assuring you of our gratification in knowing you, and appreciating your courtesies, I am, with kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA: AH Bno. Mrs. Mary P. Magee, 708 No. Jefferson, Carrolton, Missouri.

Dear Mrs. Magee:

I greatly appreciate your kind letter of the 2nd instant in which you enclose a clipping from the Morning Tribune regarding Ray's rites. Ray always had the faculty of winning friends by the thousands. His genuine modesty, courtesy, and his extreme efficiency always impressed people tremendously. I am so sorry that I did not have the opportunity of going to Carrolton to pay my respects to his memory.

I had known of Ray's illness but thought that he had entirely recovered from it. I am writing a letter to your mother and also a letter to Harry. Harray Brown, one of our graduate students here, when I told him about Ray, stated that he lived right near Harry on Reeds Road.

I am glad to know that you have a son Jack who will enter Missouri this fall. Tell him that when we play basketball over there, which is March 2nd, to come over and say hello. I may be with the football team when we play at Missouri, but I am not sure. But I am quite sure to be with the basketball team. Also congratulate Wayne for me and tell him that if at any time I am in close proximity to him or to Jack please look me up. It will be a pleasure to see either one of them.

As I told you before, Mrs. Allen was terribly shocked at the news. Ray was a part of our family so long that we always possessed him. I took your good letter, together with the clipping, home and let our family read it. Mrs. Allen sends her very best to you and your family.

Sincerely yours.

708 N. Jefferson At., Carrollton, Mo. Dept. 2.1942. Dear Doctor allew: kind letter of sympathy in the death of Ray. Me are so vorry you did not Recow in time for you and modern to come. Ray always that so much of you Jolke, and your influence ew his life has meant nuch. at the time of his death, Harry went to miple to arrange for the Dervices, since Ray's wife is an invalid, and totally helpless, and the daughter, Julia, is only thisteen years of age. I was here, and Wother, at that time, was in K.C. so I that Harry had let most of Ray's closer friends know - 7 2 took care of the arrangements here. Harry asked me just before the penvices if I had let you know, and I, of course, had that he had taken care of that - 00, of course - it was loo late. It has been such a phock to us, that we are just beginning to get

ouselues together again. Kay, as you perhaps know, had a complete breakdown three years ago. He collapsed while at v Hational Shrine Convention in Baltimore and they took him back to miles. I spent a goodly fait of that summer with hein-. He was able to go back to his work in Oct. and carried on night along apparently, recovered from the newoux disorder. He Lack a gall stone attack late last Deft. and tho't he would be operated on, and I again was called to be after a two weeks with kiew. stay in the hospital, after the Doctors advised operating - be took a chause, ou going back to pehool and staying on a Diet - instead A losing time for an operation. I imagine that helped toward weakening Line, for Le worked hard, and earried outside work besides his school work - gard he still had

the same home conditions that he had fad prior to his just illneso. Doctors had adversed hein to place his wife in a Rest Home - but he never gente Grot heierself to Doing that. Do we all feel-that Ray's miend snapped and le took his life. Ne are seuce it was not gremeditatedhe left no word, nor had he made aug plans for Julia or his wife. Dire oure Le would never Lave left Julia to earryon as she must so- for she meant everything to him, and her life has been too Jime to Jimish et as he did - lif he were en a come way. Mother makes her home with me. The is Tom- Ellew Parkins. Harry's address is 5938 Reeds Road-Mission-Ls. Ray's wife is now we the Colonial Rest Home - 7611 Wornall Rd - K.C. and the daughter is living with a maternal aunit at 3816 Walnut, K.C., and well tlend Westport High this Jole. Me do appreciate your setter, and

gou exerted over Ray in those early years stayed with Live thruont his life, as it has with other youth whom you have two had mudes eyou. I have two sono, Jack, just eighteen, who will evill enter M.11. this fall, and I tuly hope The mew whom he contacts will be the same June character my brothers came under. My other son, Mayne, is just entening H.S. Best regardo la Mo. allew and Gourse g. Dincerely -THE STREET WAS A STREET OF THE the same of the sa lings to single and the sign of the same of the side of the same o

Mrs. Ray Parkins, Colonial Rest Home, 7611 Wornall Road, Kansas City, Mo.

Dour Mrs. Parkins:

I did not learn of Ray's passing, having missed the Kansas City paper. Through a roundabout source I heard of it and wrote Louis Menze and he told me that he had read the article while he was visiting in Kansas City, and called Marry and in that way learned the time of the funeral at Carrolton.

Louis gave me all the particulars and then I wrote Mrs. Mages and she sent me a clipping from the Minneapolis Morning Tribune.

I want you to know that I consider this a personal loss. To you, I know, it is indescribable and difficult to understand. I am very sure that Ray was sick because I have known him for so many years and have always found him so courageous and so fine. Some day we will understand, but all we can do is to live one day at a time. I am sure that things will come out all right for you.

I want you to know that Mrs. Allen and I extend our deepest sympathies to you in this very sad hour, but I am sure that you have faith sufficient to see it through. Won't you tell your lovely little daughter that we wish for her a life of happiness?

With deep understanding, I am .

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA :AH

Mr. Harry Parkins, 5938 Reeds Road, Mission, Kansas.

Dear Harry:

I did not read of Ray's passing in the Kansas City paper, hence I was not able to attend his funeral in Carrolton. When I learned indirectly of his death I wrote Louis Menze and he gave me the particulars. Then I wrote your sister, Mrs. Magee, and she wrote me and sent a clipping.

As you know, Ray was a favorite of the Allen household and his passing struck a very deep note in our feelings for him and for his family. I want you to know how deeply we sympathize with all of Ray's relatives and loved ones.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

9 . 0 September 12, 1942. Mrs. Ellen Ferkins, 708 No. Jefferson St., Carrolton, Mo. Doar Mrs. Parkins:

I have already written Mrs. Magee, but I do want to write you and let you know that Mrs. Allen and I extend our sincerest and deepest sympathies to you in your hour of trial. Ray's memory will always be a bright spot in your recollections, I am sure. Any mother who can raise such a fine son will be blessed with eternal memories.

Please know that we understand, because we have had sadness in our home which qualifies us for such an ordeal.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Cosch.

FGA:AH

Dr. T. J. Mackie, Trudeau, New York.

Dear Dootor Tons

Your unexpected yet levely letter arrived yesterday and I was pleased indeed to hear from you. I took your spistle home for Mrs. Allen to read and we had some very fond and levely memories of you and Forrest, Junior. Believe it or not, Tommy, but I remember you very, very well as a little fellow. And believe it or not, you were one of my favorites.

I always remember how courteous and considerate you were of older people even as a youngster. It is queer, isn't it, how a youngster makes an impression upon an eldster and those memories carry indelibly through the years.

We were grieved to learn of your illness. We had known of it for some time and we have discussed it quite often. Mrs. Allen has always spoken of what a tough time your and Forrest, Jr.'s, class had. We run over the personnel and it seems as if it was rather an ill-fated group. But I am not speaking of you because I know that you have the courage and fortitude to fight back and get on top. I am sure that you will do that and I want you to know that the Allen family are pulling one hundred per cent for you.

Mrs. Allen asked that I leave your letter with her so that she could write you, so I am very sure that in a few days you will hear from her. She is so anxious about you and your success.

I am glad that you enjoyed the Esquire article. I am supposed to have another already completed for the same magazine but frankly, Tommy, I have been so busy that I haven't done it as yet. I am not sure when it will appear but I am hoping that it may prove of some interest to the readers.

I am autographing a picture which I will feel honored to have you hang on your office wall, and I trust that time will not be far off.

With all good wishes and sincerest regards for your complete and speedy recovery, and your well deserved practice in your profession, I am

Sincerely yours,