

November 26, 1938.

Mr. Whitney Martin,
The Associated Press,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Whitney:

It was nice of you to write me concerning your greater success in New York. No one is more pleased than I am at the recognition they have given you.

You have done a wonderful job here in Kansas City, and I have admired your versatility in writing and your friendly approaches to all of us coaches. It has been a great pleasure to work with you, and I am looking to see you soon up to where Eddie Neal, Eddie Brietz and Alan Gould were. You have got the stuff and I know that the recognition will come.

Again, congratulations and best wishes.

Cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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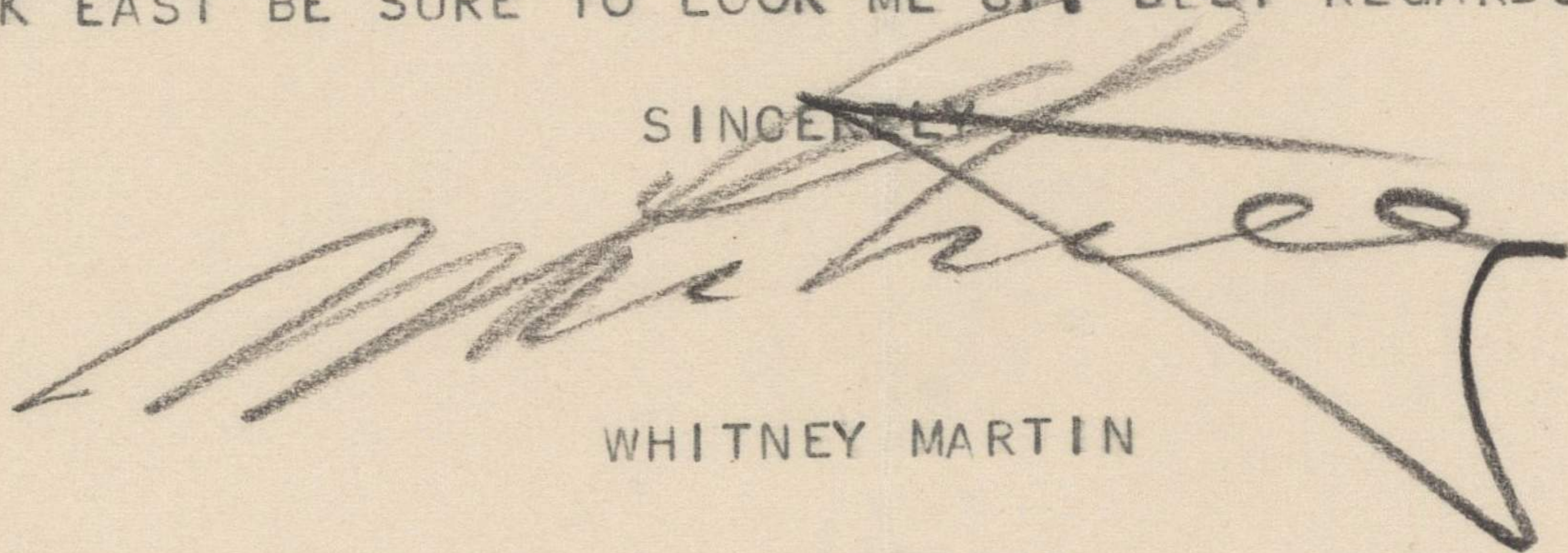
KANSAS CITY,
NOV. 25, 1938

DR F. C. ALLEN,
ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT,
UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS,

DEAR PHOG:

JUST A NOTE TO TELL YOU I AM LEAVING MONDAY TO JOIN OUR SPORTS STAFF IN NEW YORK, AND TO LET YOU KNOW I'VE APPRECIATED YOUR FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION DURING MY TOO BRIEF STAY HERE. I WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS, AND IF YOU EVER BRING ONE OF YOUR FINE TEAMS BACK EAST BE SURE TO LOOK ME UP. BEST REGARDS.

SINCERELY

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Whitney Martin'. The signature is written over the word 'SINCERELY' and extends across the right side of the page.

WHITNEY MARTIN

November 23, 1938.

Dr. Frank M. Mohler,
Springfield College,
Springfield, Mass.

Dear Professor Mohler:

Eddie Elbel passed on to me the College of Springfield Bulletin for November. He was calling particular attention to the retirement of our mutual and good friend, Professor Hickox, at the end of this season.

In the bulletin I noticed where you were unanimously elected to the American Council of the Institute of Pacific Relations. I wish to congratulate you upon this singular honor and also to tell you that we think of you and your wonderful family quite often. My kindest regards to you and all my good Springfield friends.

With all best wishes for the holiday season, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Forrest C. Allen
Kansas University
Lawrence, Kansas.

Sent
later.

Dear Mr Allen:

When I received your basket-
ball book sometime ago. I did not
receive the shooting lane diagrams
which you said were not in your
book. I do not want to bother you
too much, but if you have any
of the diagrams I surely would
appreciate it if you would send them
to me.

I am getting very good results
from the use of your book especially
your long push shot and your free
throw method.

We play our first game two
week from tonight - Dec 2.

Sincerely yours
Coach Glen H. Moon
Brock Nebr.

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Sept. 20th, 1938.

My dear Mr. Allen,

Hello there and how are you these rain laden September days? I hope that you are in the very very best of health and mapping out a fine schedule of athletics for the University of Kansas teams. Here's hoping the 1938 edition of the football team will have a most successful season.

Mr. Allen here's a tid bit of good news for you. I don't know ~~whether~~ whether you remember the swell letter you mailed to me on April 28th, 1937 containing your personal odd and funny sports incident. At any rate I have written a thrilling new type of sports book. "THRILLS AND SPILLS IN SPORTS" dealing with the odd and funny incidents of 245 of America's best known sport stars.

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Will you Mr. Allen please be so kind as to place your order for a copy of my book. I'm sure you will enjoy reading it. Simply fill out the enclosed order blank enclose your check or money order for \$2.00 and mail to me or direct to my publisher FORTUNY'S 67 WEST 44th STREET NEW YORK CITY. You may order C.O.D. if you prefer.

Thanking you in advance and apologizing for the poor typing due to a sore hand I'll sign off hoping your own book on basketball is clicking.

Most sincerely,

Jocko Maxwell
Sportscaster
WLTH N.Y.C.

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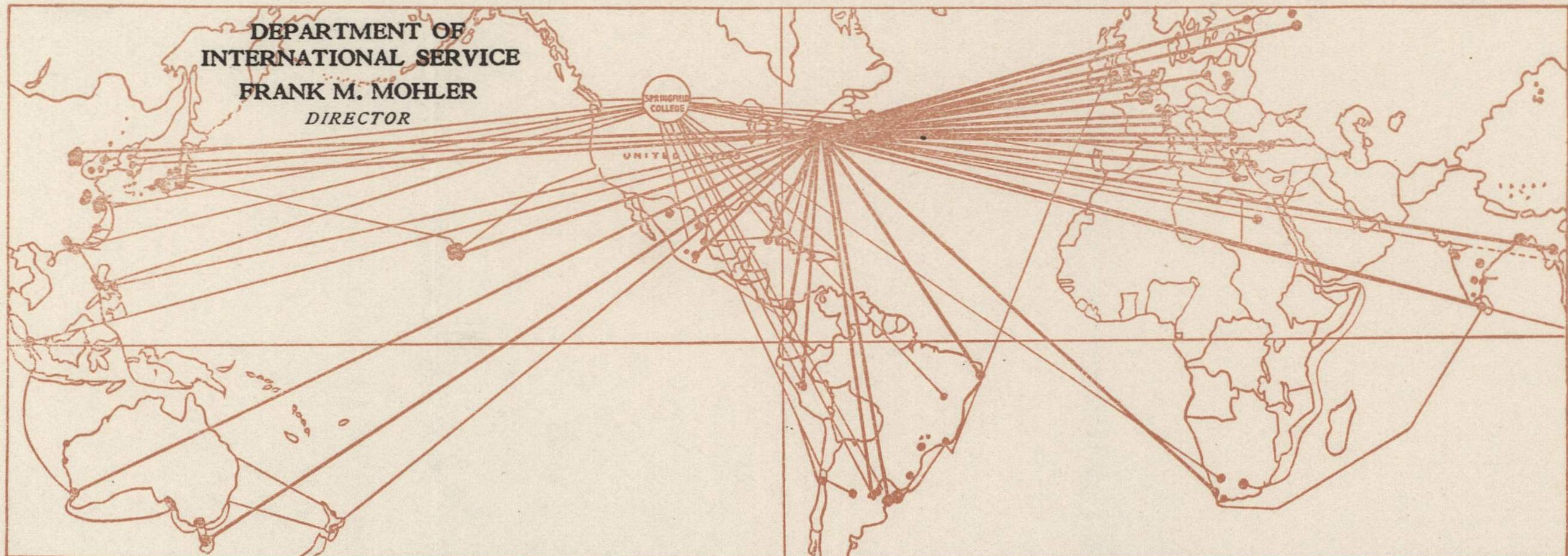
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SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

November 30, 1938

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

Dear Fog:

It was a surprise and a delight to receive your letter of November 23.

Yes, it is true that Ed Hickox is going to retire, though I do not think he is very keen about it and I am sure that he is going to try to keep on coaching basketball during the season as much as possible for some time. His place here at the college will, I think, be taken by Maxwell who came in to help in connection with our physical work in the fall of 1937. He seems to be working in nicely, and is a very nice fellow. He is a Springfield graduate and worked in the high schools in the state of Massachusetts, I think, for sometime before coming here. During that time he built up quite a reputation as a football and a basketball coach.

Paul Stagg, the son of Alonzo, is doing a fine work here. His first season was rather disastrous but this year he came through very nicely.

Affleck is retiring this June, I believe. Goodness knows what he is going to do, but he has reached the age of 65 which, according to our new administration, is just too bad.

Thanks for the congratulations. I liked that card very much and am, of course, keenly interested in the Far East situation. Thanks for your basketball schedule and luck to you. It looks like a humdinger. With very best wishes to yourself and to your family.

Sincerely yours,

Frank M. Mohler

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December 8, 1938.

Dr. F.C. Allen,
Varsity Basketball Coach,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas,

Dear "Phog":

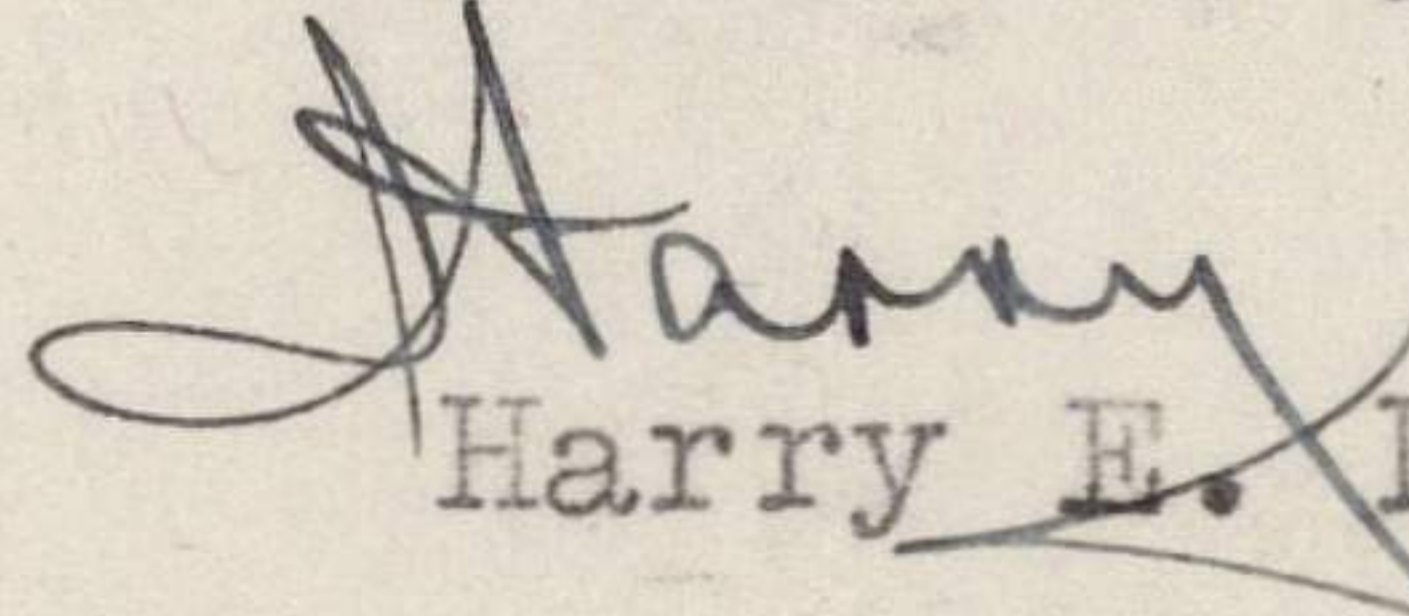
Just before we shipped out the second consignment of your stockings I happened to notice that on some of the stockings when the top was stretched the thread holding the elastic broke, so they were again sewed with a finer stitch, and when they top was stretched at the maximum. This I believe will hold the thread allright.

I am calling this to your attention, as I thought there was a possible chance of the thread breaking in some of the first 15 pair we sent you, in the case this has happened please have your equipment manager return them and we will resew them.

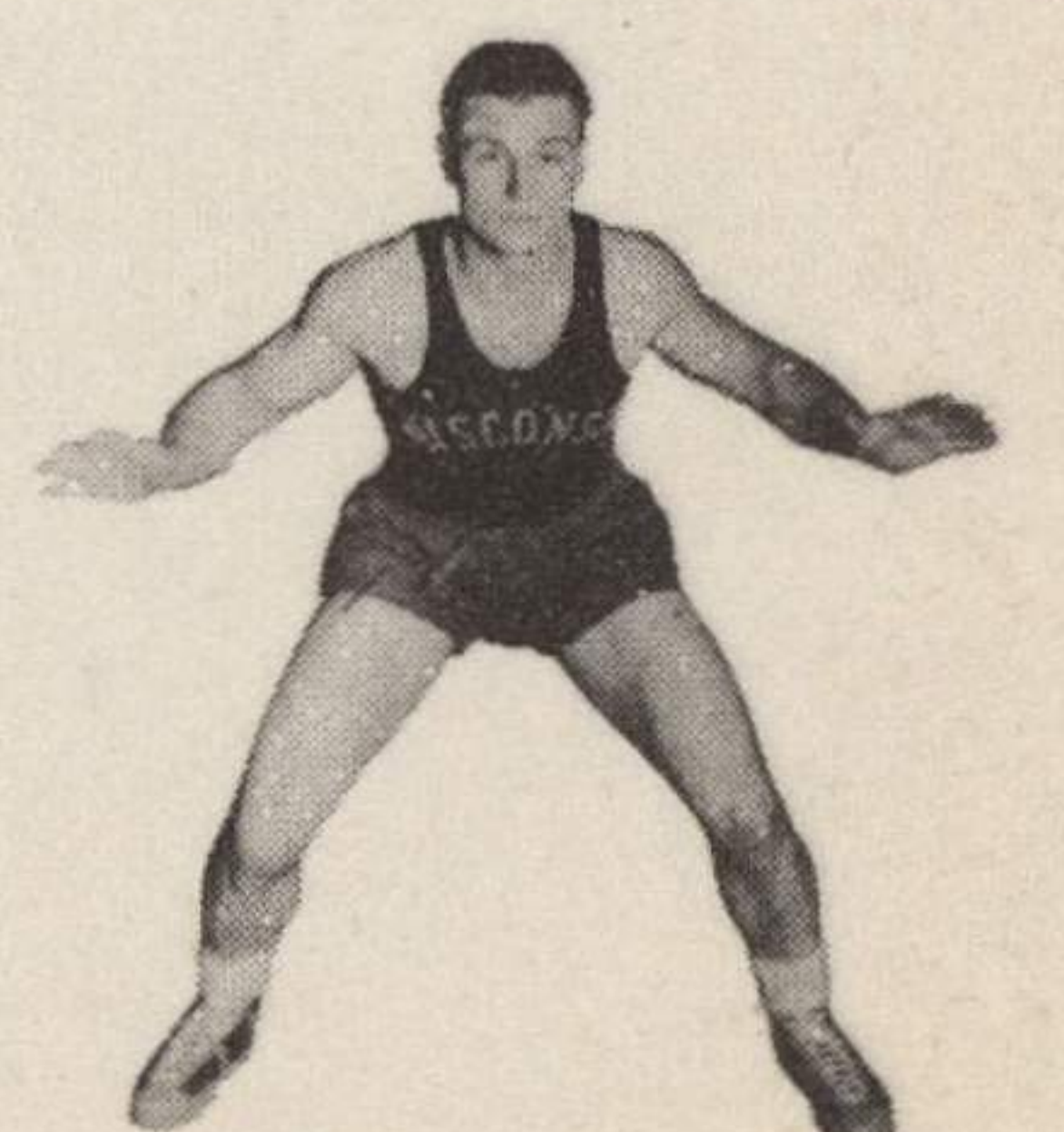
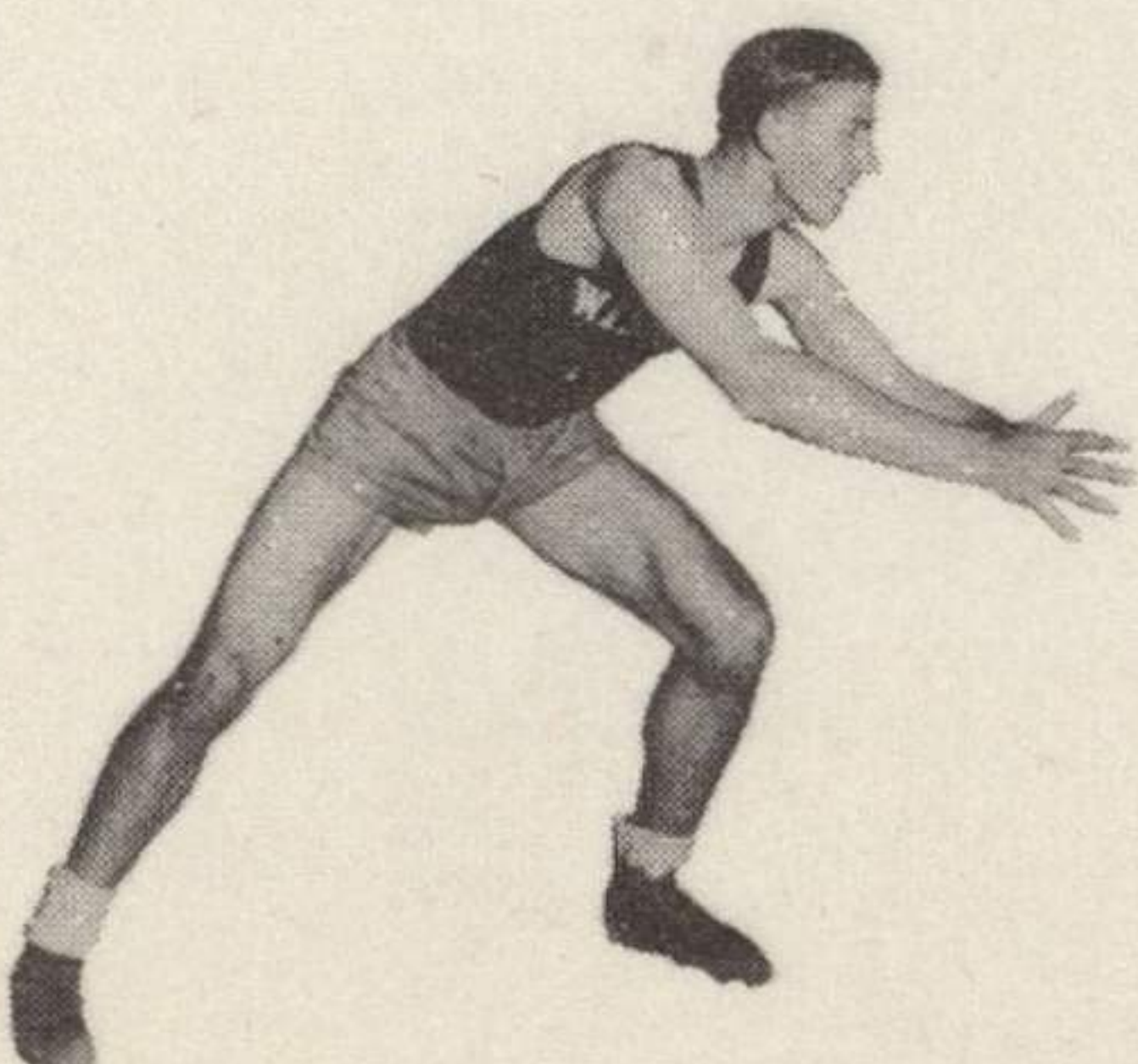
I just looked at your schedule and see that you are playing at Stillwater to-morrow night, and then on down South, so I presume you will get this somewhere en-route.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes for a successful Southern trip and season,

Sincerely yours,


Harry E. Mudd

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December 16, 1938.

Mr. A. B. Mackie,
122½ South Santa Fe,
Salina, Kansas.

Dear A. B.:

Thank you for your kind letter of the 28th ultimo.

I suggest that you write to George Veenker, of Iowa State College, who is secretary of the Big Six, and ask that your name be placed on his list of Big Six officials for both football and basketball.

Then again just prior to the May meeting of the Big Six coaches I would write him again to remind him. You know sometimes these secretaries need a reminder. Also, it wouldn't do any harm to write to each of the football coaches just prior to the meeting when they make their selections.

Now that the Big Six has a Commissioner, I believe it would be well for you to write Reaves Peters.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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SALINA, KANSAS

November 28, 1938

Dr. F. C. Allen
Kansas University
Lawerence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

The football season is over and I assure you that I have thought many times of the headaches and jitters the coaches have. I have enjoyed a very pleasant fall and have been just an ordinary spectator admiring the great American game. I was fortunate enough to see every team in the valley some time or other during the past season. I am sorry that each coach could not have champions. I still remember the praise when you win, but hell-double when you lose.

I might say that as for me, I enjoy my new work very much. In the business school at Salina, we have an enrollment of about 330 and possibly will reach 400 in January. I am directing the school here in Salina. Our school in Kansas City, Kansas, under the direction of Mr. Brown, during the first year will reach 200 students. We feel certain that the enrollment in Kansas City, Kansas, will, within a year or two, surpass the one here in Salina. I really believe that the business school has a future.

I am writing this letter primarily to let you know that this year has been very busy, however, I will always love football and basketball and next year I would like very much to officiate in both football and basketball. I hope that if you have the opportunity you will recommend me for officiating. I will not take time to give you my experience in athletics as you know it well. I will appreciate any good word you might say in my favor.

Sincerely yours,

A. B. Mackie

A. B. Mackie

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*Pass by the school on
your way home
with the heart
of a champion.*

*11-29-38
M. R. Peters, on Per. Salina*

January 9, 1939.

Mr. A. N. Murphey,
Assistant Trust Officer,
First National Bank and Trust Company,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Friend Murphey:

"A friend in need is a friend indeed", and you proved to be all of that and more.

I am sorry that we were so rushed, but I want to write you and tell you how wonderful you were to us and how very much the boys appreciated your kindness. You can rest assured that any time we are in Oklahoma City we are going to call up and have you and your son take dinner with us when we will have more time than we did under the conditions.

We deeply appreciate all of your kindnesses and we hope that at some time we can reciprocate. I am slipping your card in my billfold so that we will not make the error of failing to see you at any time we are in Oklahoma City. And if any time you are in Lawrence please look us up and let us have an opportunity to reciprocate some of your many kindnesses.

With all good wishes, I am

Appreciatively yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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January 6, 1939.

Mrs. W. S. Mann,
Burlington, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Mann:

I want you to know that I had the pleasure, although it was too short, of visiting with your good husband last night after the banquet. It was late, or else I would have insisted on stopping by. Your husband thought that perhaps you had retired.

Anyhow, I want you to know that I asked about you, and although I had to hurry back to Lawrence after the banquet, I did have some very pleasant moments visiting with your husband. I would liked to have talked to you to ask about the Gunn family, but since I could not have that pleasure I am wondering if you will write me and tell me about them.

With all good wishes to you and yours, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Burlington, Kans.

Jan. 3-1939

Dr. F. C. Allen

Lawrence, Kans.

Dear Dr. Allen: - No
doubt you have forgotten
the Manus. at Westphalia
with whom you stayed
all night, some 17 yrs
ago. Mr. Manus took
you to Garnett to an
early morning train. I
am Foster Dennis' sister.
We haven't forgotten you

✓ were glad to learn you
were coming to Burlington
this week. We now live
in Burlington and if
you havent made any
other plans we should
be happy to have you
stay with us that night,
if you are staying over-
night in our city. Mrs.
Allen, too, - if she comes
with you.

Sincerely
Mrs W. S. Mann

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September 13, 1938.

Mr. George Miller,
Chappell, Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Miller:

I find in my letter of September 9th that I failed to send the diagram for the plays that I promised you.

You will notice that the Dream Touchdown story was a run by our right half around left end, but in this case I used the left half around right end merely playing him in the right half tail-back position. The team lined up and shifted, the left end over to the right end, leaving a space of ten yards between the right end and the left end.

You will notice that in Formation X in this run that the formation of the back field is the same. This was run off the weak side. I think the diagram is quite simple, but if there is anything you want to ask I will be glad to explain it to you.

I did not carry the blocking assignments on the Dream Touchdown out, as this would be quite unnecessary. Of course, the back field played with the defensive left tackle and the defensive right half. Our offensive right guard took out the safety down the field, and of course he was aided by our left end who had shifted over to right end. This shows the left half running wide but this is for no real purpose. It just shows the direction of the play.

Now, for Formation X. This play is always pulled when the ball is a little to the left of the center of the field and there is a wide opening to the right, or when conditions are reversed the other side is used. The play is best when the offensive team is about 30 yards from the goal line. The left end shifts over about ten yards to the right of the right end, leaving a ten yard space in there. Then when the shift is made, after the end goes over, the right half goes up a yard and a half outside, near the half-back of the offensive right end. The other half is a yard and a half back and in, and the fullback is two and a half yards back of the space between our center and left guard, and the quarter or the passer and runner is four and a half yards back of center.

This four and a half yard space keeps the defensive team wondering whether it is a plunge, run or a pass. After the ball is passed back from the center or quarterback, the quarterback after catching the ball steps back half a yard or a yard to make his five yard legal passing area satisfactory. As soon as the ball is snapped, the fullback pivots on his right foot and drives to his right as

rapidly as possible. This gives the proper running and hiding angle for the passer. The passer angles out, being protected obliquely by the fullback. The offensive right end drives out and down the field, and then goes directly at the defensive left halfback; just as he starts toward the left halfback he cuts in quickly to draw the attention of the defensive left half. Of course, the left half must follow in to protect against the offensive right end receiving the pass.

Our offensive right half cuts across the scrimmage line and in toward the fullback on the inside to pull him down and away. Our offensive left half waits a fraction of a second until the right half has gotten two or three yards ahead of him, and then our offensive left half follows in the very path made by our offensive right half, only he stops short when he is a yard and a half past the line of scrimmage.

You will notice that our left end who has shifted over has drawn their defensive left half in. Our offensive left half guides his circular swing to the right and times it so as to entirely encircle their defensive left half. By this time our quarterback or passer is still playing hide and seek behind our offensive fullback who is running wide and fast to his own right.

Just as our offensive left half has circled around and out past the defensive left half, the passer throws the ball on our left halfback's right at a position so when it is caught it is impossible to intercept, and if the pass is successful the goal line is so near that there is no defensive man to interrupt the run for a touchdown.

Mandeville received two of these passes from Lomborg for a touchdown from the right corner of the field, and Bunn, who is now coaching at Stanford, made the pass to Mandeville on the left side of the field when the play was reversed. We also scored on Notre Dame here at Lawrence on this same play and the same year we scored on Missouri for the only touchdown of the game on identically the same play. Both of the touchdowns against Notre Dame and Missouri were made on exactly this play.

Now for Formation Y. This was an open, razy-dazzy play that entirely befuddled the Nebraska team, under Henry Schulte. You will notice that the backfield, with the exception of one man, is ten yards back of the line of scrimmage. You will see that the left end has been shifted over to the right field ten yards from the right end. The right half is up a yard and a half on the outside and a yard and a half back on our offensive right end. Our fullback is ten yards directly back of our shifted over left end, and the left half is ten yards back of our right end. The ball handler is eight and a half yards back of the line of scrimmage, but a yard and a half from our fullback.

We sometimes would pass the ball to the quarterback and he would start up as if on a line end run, and then he would lateral the ball to the fullback or to our left halfback and they would then pass to one of the open men down in the field.

These two plays were the only plays we used in the last half against Nebraska, with the exception of a decoy running play that we did off of Formation X. You can see that on Formation X you have a good running play either to the left or to the right, and we would pull a running play once in a while just to set up the play for a pass.

By the way, Dutch Lonborg did make one run against Munn of Nebraska for 28 yards off of Formation Y. Schoner, the Nebraska end, had not been doing very well against this play and Munn suggested to Schoner that he would get in there and show this so-and-so how to make this play. Munn had been tackle, but he took Schoner's place at end. Lonborg, seeing this weakness, called the ball for a pass to him, but ran with it and ran right around Mr. Munn for 28 yards. All the time Mr. Lonborg was laughing as he ran. Dutch is known as the "happy Dutchman", and he always laughed all the time he played.

Trusting that this will give you the information desired, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

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Diagram of the

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September 9, 1933.

Mr. George Miller,
Chappell, Nebraska.

Dear Mr. Miller:

Upon my return from vacation I found your letter on my desk awaiting reply.

If you will read the Dream Touchdown story again I think you will find that the play was simple enough. It was right half around left end, and of course I will diagram the play for you. It was a wide, sweeping run.

For the Nebraska game, formation Y and formation X were the plays used but the three touchdowns we scored were from formation X. But I will send you the Y formation, also.

I am very happy that you have enjoyed my first publication, "My Basketball Bible", and I am glad that you like "Better Basketball". If at any time there is any favor that I can extend to you it will be a pleasure, I assure you.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Aug. 18, 1938

Invest C. Allen
Lawrence Kansas.

Dear Coach Allen:

I'm asking something you'll probably think quite funny & useless, but still asking. I have your books, "Better Basket Ball" & "My Basket-Ball Bible" & read your story, "The dream touch down" would you do me the favor of diagramming that pass. Also when you played Nebraska in 1920 & used mostly two plays formation X & Y. Would you diagram them also?

Thank you
George Miller

Write

Dr. Anderson ✓

Harold Miller, Chanute

Geo. Nettles, Pittsburg

Dr. Hall, Topeka?

Tom Van Cleave ✓ ⁶⁰⁴ ✓

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From THE TOPEKA DAILY CAPITAL, August 28, 1938.

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Luisetti made \$10,000 net out of movie and if the picture is successful from the "box office" angle, he will make another one this winter. . . Before Hank appeared before the camera, he had a contract drawn up stating there would be no love scenes, smoking, or drinking in the picture. . . "It was all his own idea", Hum told me. . . "I was criticized last fall for trying to take Ralph Miller away from Kansas schools," he went on. "We never go after a boy unless he makes application to enter school. We figure if he pays five dollars for an application blank, he must be interested. Wichita alumni paid for the airplane trip. I see your side of the argument, but here is mine. Some of the best athletes at K. U. were out-of-state boys, Johnson of Oklahoma City, Pralle of St. Louis, and I could name dozens. I own a farm in Kansas and pay taxes. Why shouldn't I have a few Kansas boys?" . . . The curly-headed mentor keeps in condition the year around by playing handball, basketball and softball in season. . . "Softball is one of the greatest games we have and I am glad to see the interest being shown in the sport here in Kansas. I play the game myself and like it", smiled the former Kansan.

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From THE TOPICA DAILY CAPITAL, August 28, 1938.

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Luisetti made \$10,000 net out of movie and if the picture is successful from the "box office" angle, he will make another one this winter. . . Before Hank appeared before the camera, he had a contract drawn up stating there would be no love scenes, smoking, or drinking in the picture. . . "It was all his own idea", Rasm told us. . . "I was criticized last fall for trying to take Ralph Miller away from Kansas schools," he went on. "We never go after a boy unless he makes application to enter school. We figure if he pays five dollars for an application blank, he must be interested. Wichita alumni paid for the airplane trip. I see your side of the argument, but here is mine. Some of the best athletes at K. U. were out-of-state boys, Johnson of Oklahoma City, Pralle of St. Louis, and I could name dozens. I own a farm in Kansas and pay taxes. Why shouldn't I have a few Kansas boys?" . . . The curly-headed mentor keeps in condition the year around by playing handball, basketball and softball in season. . . "Softball is one of the greatest games we have and I am glad to see the interest being shown in the sport here in Kansas. I play the game myself and like it", smiled the former Kansan.

September 5, 1938.

Mr. Tom Van Cleave,
604 Commercial Building,
Kansas City, Kansas.

Dear Tom:

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With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Mr. George Hottles,
Pittsburg-Midway Coal Mining Co.,
Pittsburg, Kansas.

Dear George:

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Varsity Basketball Coach.

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September 3, 1938.

Mr. Harold Miller,
Chanute, Kansas.

Dear Harold:

I am enclosing copy of a clipping from the Topoka Daily Capital of August 28, 1938, which I thought you would like to read. I am also sending you a carbon copy of a letter I have written to George Nettles setting forth some of the information that I had in the matter. I thought you might be interested in this.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

September 2, 1938.

Dr. A. J. Anderson,
717 Vermont Street,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear General:

Thank you so much for sending me the clipping from the Topeka Capital of August 28, 1938. It was nice of you to take the time and trouble. I would have missed it, although I had heard about it. To have a friend as busy as you are to send it to me - well, that is service plus friendship, and I want you to know that I appreciate it.

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Security National Bank,
Kansas City, Kansas.

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Director of Physical Education,
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September 12, 1938.

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704 Kansas Avenue,
Topeka, Kansas.

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