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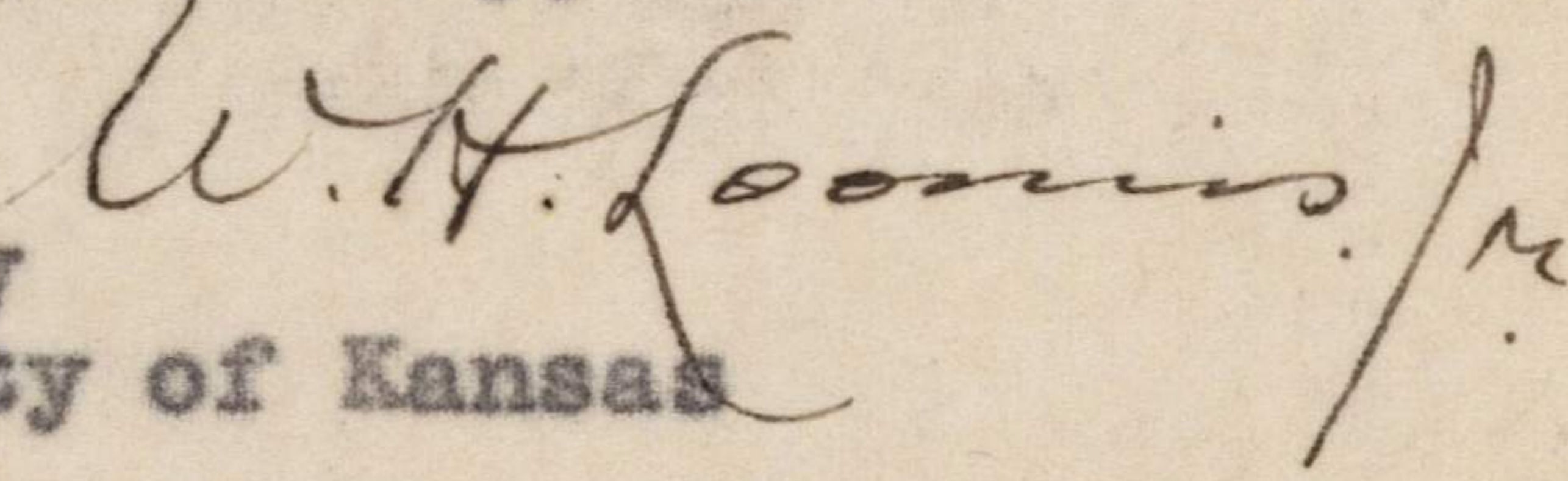
Dear Fred:

About 90 days ago, Joe Wellman and I were in Dr. Forrest Allen's office and I made the suggestion to Dr. Allen that a fund be started toward a memorial for Dr. Naismith. As I recall, Dr. Allen said something about a field house. I gave him \$5.00 and told him that when the fund donations were in the amount of \$100.00 I would raise mine to \$25.00.

This should have been done before Dr. Naismith died, but that is water under the bridge. The thought now occurs to me that it would do well for you to communicate with Dr. Allen; you have my permission to use the \$5.00 as a nucleus toward raising a fund to be used in connection with a memorial for Dr. Naismith. Any appropriate and fitting memorial would be pleasing to me if it is nothing more than a plaque on one of the walls of the Athletic Building, yet I feel that Dr. Naismith did enough for the students at K.U. and for humanity in general that we could well afford to get behind a movement the result of which would be a memorial that would be comparable to the services that he rendered.

I am sure that the Journal-World, the Graduate Magazine, and other school publications would be glad to cooperate. If it occurs to you that we in Kansas City can help in any way, do not hesitate to call upon us.

Very sincerely,



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Dr. Forrest Allen