

Pierce Works  
630 Alta Drive  
Beverly Hills

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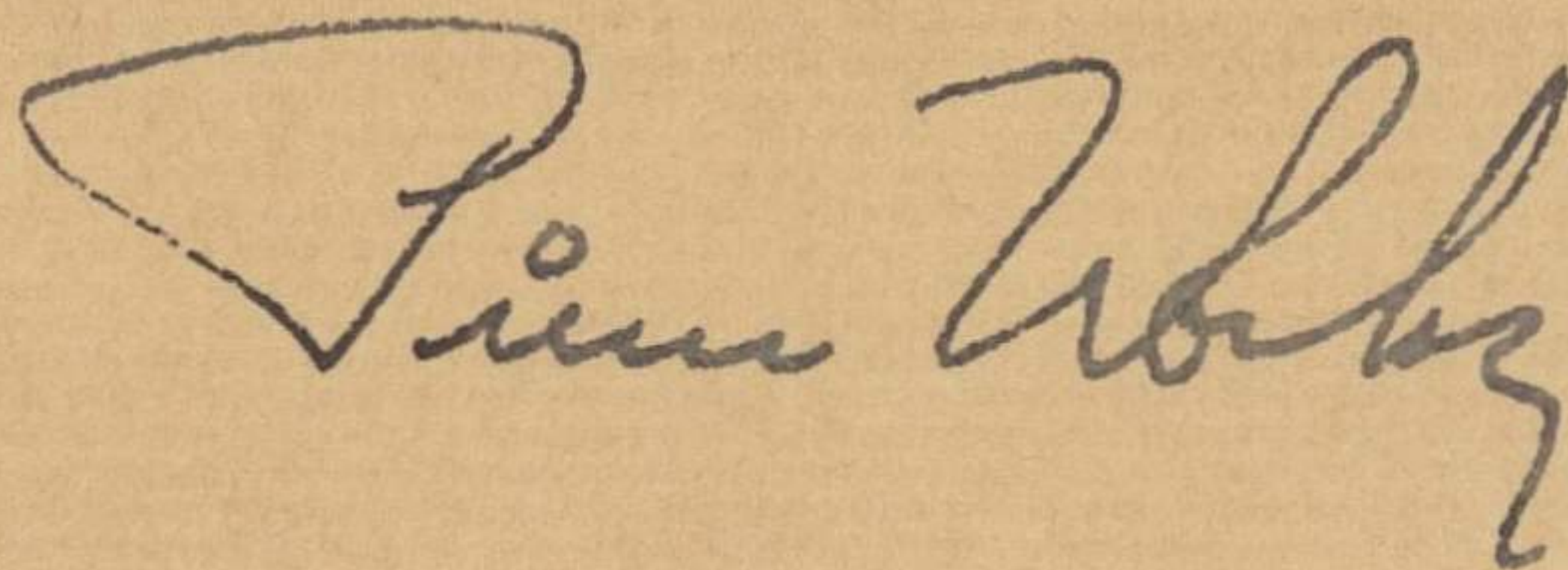
Dr. F. C. Allen,  
Director of Athletics,  
Kansas University,  
Lawrence, Kansas.

My dear Dr. Allen:

It is with the deepest regret that I have learned of the passing of Dr. Naismith. If it is at all feasible, I would appreciate it tremendously if you would express my sympathy to the surviving members of his family. It goes without saying that his loss will be deeply mourned by all who have had any connection with the fine game which he devised.

With kindest personal regards to your good self, I remain

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Pierce Works". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping initial "P" and a long, trailing flourish at the end.