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January 13, 1943.

Mr. Ed Neal,  
Sports Editor,  
The San Francisco News,  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Mr. Neal:

One of your ardent sports readers sent me a tear sheet from your Thursday, January 7th issue of the San Francisco News quoting my good friends and yours, Nibs Price and Jimmy Needles, on the 12 foot basket. I assure you I am not a fanatic on the 12 foot basket but since Dr. Naismith tacked the peach hamper on the running track which happened to be 10 feet from the floor I see no reason why a basket should not be raised with the increasing height of the players.

Tomorrow night we are playing the Oklahoma A. & M. team, and they have an 18-year-old boy playing on the team who is exactly 7 feet tall in his stocking feet, and he has good action. That chap can reach the basket without jumping.

The rules as they are now written are clearly discriminatory in regard to the 10 foot basket. A defensive man guarding the goal may not reach over the perpendicular plane of the basket in knocking the ball away from the hoop. Again, if the ball should be on the edge of the basket and the defensive man should knock it off it counts a goal for the offensive side.

Now let's take the discrimination in favor of the tall man. If the ball is on the rim of the basket the offensive man may push it in, strike the ball and the rim, and the goal counts. Or he may jump up above the basket, dunk it in, stick his arm and hand eight inches through the basket, and still the goal counts.

Do you not agree with me that that is discrimination for, in one case, and against, in the other? A higher basket that could not be touched by either player would be just for all concerned. And too, a player shooting for a basket accommodates the muscles of his eyes to height the same as a player accommodates his eyes to distance. A player standing 20 feet out on the floor and shooting at a 10 foot basket would arch the ball a little higher and further than he would if he was standing 15 feet from the basket. A player arching his shot for a 10 foot basket 15 feet out would not arch it as high as he would for a 12 foot basket at the same distance.



In the last part of your article when Nibs mentioned Chuck Hanger he states that "the extra effort which would entail him going two feet higher on lay-ins and follow shots would be nothing as compared to that which a smaller man would have to make." This shows one thing, Mr. Neal, that none of these coaches have tried a 12 foot basket. There would be no lay-ins on these shots because each player would be required to shoot at a 12 foot basket. The poorest place to shoot at a 12 foot basket would be underneath the goal. That is exactly the strong point of the 12 foot basket. The hard drive-ins and lay-ups which produce 80 per cent of all the fouls by the defense are made for that very reason - because a player driving in is fouled and the official awards the offended player two free throws.

If you could cut out 80 per cent of the fouls and practically all of the double shots caused from players throwing these fouls, then you would have a much cleaner, open game where field goal shooting would be the dominant point rather than foul shooting which seems now to be the case. A field goal would count 3 points and a free throw would count 1, which was again Dr. Naismith's idea as to the evaluation of a field goal and a free throw. The whistle blowing of the officials would be cut down immeasurably because there would be fewer fouls on account of the fact that it would be to the advantage of a player to shoot at the basket from a distance of 8, 10, or 12 feet rather than have the big boys camp under the basket and jab or dunk them in. \*

I call these big boys "mezzanine hurdlers" because they are tall enough to touch the mezzanine floor.

You will please understand that I am not appealing for a 12 foot basket only for college and independent players, not for high school boys. But when men of maturity reach such heights as they now possess, then I can see nothing sacred about the height of a 10 foot basket that should not be changed. And too, I am not one of the coaches seeking a change because my teams lose more than they win, but because I think it would immeasurably improve the game. The height of the basket would not change one thing but this - it would drive out of the game the tall player who constantly camps underneath the basket and counts only on his height and not on his action in winning games. And it would give the shorter man a decided advantage because when a ball is arched at the goal if it hit the basket the arc of dispersion would cause the ball to bound out further away from the goal than from the 10 foot basket.

Therefore, the defensive man would be forced to play back further away from the basket to get this rebound. Now, if an arched ball should miss the basket and fall to the floor a fast, speedy man could lay in *driving* and capture the ball before the big, husky fellow could move from his position and secure possession of the falling sphere. I believe that you can visualize this point.



Dr. Naismith said, "Basketball is a game easy to play but difficult to master". Therefore, we are interested in making the game as attractive as possible because if a coach teaches good fundamentals, basketball will be attractive and this coach will win at least his share of the games.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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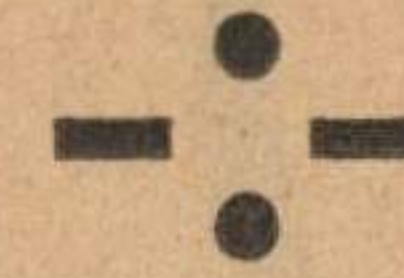


Phog -  
For Your Information

Capt. R.G. Braden  
Ft. Ord

Kansas '35

# EAST VS. WEST AGAIN



BY ED NEAL

Dr. Forrest C. Allen, the explosive University of Kansas basketball coach who is quoted from coast to coast about this time every season when he takes his cagers to New York, has crashed the public prints again, and on this trip he's down on the record with a tirade against the sport as it is played in the staid East.

His latest outburst is tied in with a charge of professionalism, but he does not make pay-for-play college athletics his major premise. Instead, he accuses the Eastern mentors of backing up their teachings with the rougher aspects of the professional cage sport, which was cherished in the East but never did take root elsewhere in the country.

The Easterners play the men instead of the ball, in direct violations of the teachings of the late Dr. James Naismith, the game's inventor, he declares. Dr. Allen, known more familiarly as Phog Allen, was coached by Dr. Naismith, who held forth at Kansas for years.

Describing basketball in the Midwest as a beautiful game of checkers, the man who has brought 24 Big Six championships to Kansas in 26 years decries Eastern tactics of pushing, contact and slowing down the game "with lack of skill which would not exist if they followed the rules."

This influence, according to Dr. Allen, stems from the professional game. As he puts it, some of the East's leading coaches are products of professional basketball and hence foot the blame.

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Foregoing comment on the backgrounds of Eastern coaches but sticking strictly to the question of a comparison of basketball as it is played in the East and West, we contacted two of the Bay Region's veteran coaches, Nibs Price of California and Jimmy Needles of the University of San Francisco, for their comments.

Price, who took his Bears back to New York in the '35-'36 season, agreed the Easterners play a far more bruising type of play, at least they did then.

"At that time," Nibs recalls, "the East was using a strict man-for-man defense. When we went back there, I believe we showed one of the first zone defenses seen in Gotham, and our opponents screamed



Dr. Phog Allen uses contests of toilet kit to illustrate his basketball theory.





# BUT IT'S BASKETBALL NOW



**NIBS PRICE.**



**JIMMY NEEDLES.**

to high heaven. They hadn't seen it before, and since it was something new, at least to them, they figured it was illegal.

"Bob Herwig, the big footballer, was playing with us at the time, and naturally he enjoyed himself hugely. Cage officials permitted some pretty rough contact, and Bob was all for staying in the East and playing all our games there. He liked the rough going."

Nibs sized it up pretty well when he said the East, as a whole, "has some pretty definite ideas, and the coaches back there don't like to change. But because of the success of Western teams in in-

ter sectional games, the East has been forced to change many of its ideas, not through choice but of necessity."

Needles, coach of the '36 Olympic Games team concurs with Price in believing intersectional games have done much to change the style of play there. "These games have resulted in the East taking up Western tactics," he declared. "A few years ago the game as it was played there was so rough that in some cases the man was in the basket instead of the ball, or so it seemed."

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As another example of the reluctance of the East to change its style of play, Jimmy pointed to the one-handed shot, made famous when Hank Luisetti and his barnstorming Stanford team invaded New York some six years back and snapped Long Island's winning streak at something like 44 games. Some Eastern coaches went on record as saying they'd die first rather than change from the two-handed style of shooting. One coach did; he passed away several years ago and to the bitter end never conceded anything to the one-handed shot.

In his New York outburst Dr. Allen again broached the subject of raising the height of the baskets to 12 feet. He fears the present 10-foot level of the hoops is all to the advantage of the big men, the cagers ranging from six feet three inches upward. As he puts it, the increased height would give the smaller men a chance and also make better players of the giants.

Here, Dr. Allen runs into violent disagreement from Messrs. Needles and Price.

"The increased height simply would put a greater penalty on the small man," declared Needles, a statement echoed by Price.

"I can't get this point," said Price. "The tall boys would benefit, and the extra two feet only would make it tougher on the smaller men. Take my boy, Chuck Hanger, for example. He's six feet five inches tall, and the extra effort which would entail him going two feet higher on lay-ins and follow shots would be nothing as compared to that which a smaller man would have to make."

And Needles, whose small U. S. F. team was soundly whipped by California's towering team this week, pleads, "Don't make it any tougher on the smaller boys."



January 27, 1943.

Mr. Nelson W. Nitchman,  
U. S. Coast Guard Academy,  
New London, Conn.

Dear Mr. Nitchman:

I have outlined on the reverse side of your letter the tactics that I have found most effective against the style of all-court pressing or rushing games. On diagram #1 I have shown pressing against a set offense, but the same principles can be employed whether it is set or down the court. You will notice that the square, the defensive left forward, is pressing the defensive right guard.

If the center will cut across in front and toward the sideline he will draw his opponent with him. Then the left guard on the offense can cut across to the vacated area and receive the ball. Then the offensive right forward can come up and receive the pass from the offensive left guard. As soon as you break this all-set manaceling defense you will have no trouble in working through it.

On diagram #3 the conditions are reversed. On diagram #2 the all-pressing game is on the center or quarterback man, the man in the middle of the back line. Either one of the guards can cut diagonally to the front and across the center and they will open up the forward position so that the forward may receive the pass from the quarterback or center.

The players may not be spotted on the all-over court proposition as I have them here, but I believe that this will give you an escape that should enable you to free yourself from this pressing game. This is what I use and have used with good success.

Trusting that this is satisfactory, and that you have continued good luck, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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January 7, 1943.

Mrs. Wm. G. Nelson,  
558 Philip Ave.,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Mrs. Nelson:

I want to thank you so much for your good letter of December 31 in which you enclosed the clipping from the Detroit News. I had not seen the Detroit paper but we had seen some of the others that carried the general news.

I do thank you for your trouble, and above all I want to take this means of expressing our gratitude when you entertained our boys in your home. They came back beaming and said they had never had as much fun as they had at your fine party. It is such incidents as these that live long in the memory of young Jayhawkers. The boys all wrote a log of their trip and your name is mentioned several times in the accounts of their fine travels.

Again thanking you for your generosity and kindness,  
I am

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



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# Basket Ball

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# 'Phog' Allen Blasts Again

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## This Time He Seems Trifle Mercenary

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NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—(AP)—Invasion of the east by basket ball teams from other sectors has failed to standardize the type of play, Dr. F. C. (Phog) Allen of the University of Kansas, said today, "but we will continue to come here to give our kids a trip and to get that check."

"Sectional styles of play differ more now than ever before," Allen continued at a luncheon attended by coaches from all corners of the nation, "but we can get \$2,000 for coming here compared with the \$300 we get for an NCAA tourney at home."

Allen criticized the college coaches for attempting to stifle ideas brought forth by high school tutors.

"It is the high school coach, who is a teacher rather than an athlete, who has the ideas and spends the time on research and those teacher-coaches are the backbone of the game."

James St. Clair of Southern Methodist University, head of the National Collegiate Association basket ball rules committee, said he hoped there would be little rule changing during the war, "but I can see no reason for freezing them for the duration. If there is something bad in the code, we should get it out at once."

His idea was seconded by Harold Olsen of Ohio State, who also listed Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana as the powerhouses of the Big Ten.



# The Detroit News

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1942—THE HOME NEWSPAPER



558 Philip Ave.,  
Detroit, Mich.,  
Dec. 31, 1942.

Mr. F. C. Allen,  
Lawrence, Kans.

My dear Mr. Allen:

I suppose you will have a desk full of these clippings but these are to make sure you don't miss them. Our entire family wishes to tell you how much we enjoyed the "Three Boys". I hope they were not disappointed. We called on one of our neighbors & they, too, were so pleased to meet them and are watching the Basketball scores.

We hope if you are ever in Town again with a team that we might have the pleasure of having some of them in our home again.

Sincerely,

Bessie and Nelson '11  
(Mrs. Wm. G.)



August 26, 1943.

Mr. A. B. Nees,  
223 Citizens Bank Bldg.,  
Brazil, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Nees:

I am sending you the third issue of our Jayhawk Rebounds. Don Ebling, who was a teammate of Wayne, asked for your address so that he might write you.

If you and Mrs. Nees are interested in receiving these Rebounds we will be glad to send them. However, we do not want to burden you with excess mail unless you desire.

Please remember me most kindly to Mrs. Nees. And please be assured that we, too, have traveled the Golgotha Road and we understand. Time seems to be the only thing that will soften the pangs of sorrow.

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



# Charles Nees Killed In American Area

Charles Wayne Nees of Brazil Ind., former University student, was reported killed in action on May 18 in a wire received by his parents on June 4. The wire from the war department stated that Lt. Nees had met death in the North American area, and his parents believe the death occurred in the drive on Attu in the Aleutians Islands.

Charles Nees, who was known to University friends as "Gus" received his commission in the Infantry school at Fort Ord, Calif., on April 1, 1942.

Nees was graduated from the school of Business in 1940. During his attendance at school, from 1935-40, Nees participated in athletics. He won his letter in track, in the sprints, in 1938. He won two letters in basketball, one in 1938 and one in 1939. He played both forward and guard. Nees also played on the football team, but was awarded no letter.

Nees was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and lived in the house during the time that Mrs. James Naismith was housemother.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen, basketball coach, termed Nees' death as a "great loss. He was intensely loyal," Dr. Allen continued, "he made unlimited friends and was held in high regard. 'Gus' Neese left a strong, indelible impression at the University with his outstanding personality."



June 8, 1943.

Mr. A. B. Nees,  
223 Citizens Bank Bldg.,  
Brazil, Indiana.

Dear Mr. Nees:

I thank you very much for your letter of June 5th informing me of the loss of your fine son, Charles Wayne Nees. This news came as a shock to all of us who knew and loved Wayne. I was talking to Fred Ellsworth the alumni secretary, this morning, recalling some of Wayne's accomplishments. I am very sure that Fred will write you and send you a copy of his Graduate Magazine when it is published.

Wayne made a definite impression on the campus. Everyone with whom I have spoken remembered Wayne for some outstanding accomplishment. He impressed people when he met them. Wayne had a very businesslike, modest, yet forceful way of meeting people. In all of his athletics he was quiet but he got the job done. My son, Bobby Allen, who played with Wayne, is home for two weeks from the University of Pennsylvania where he is studying medicine. He and I spent quite some time going over the incidents that we remembered concerning Wayne. They were all most pleasant, I assure you.

I am sending a copy of the University Summer Session Kansan and also a clipping from the Lawrence Journal World as of yesterday. I met Clif Calvin, of the Sig Ep fraternity, at Rotary Club yesterday. He received your letter and had called the Journal World. I also called Mr. Simons, the editor of the Journal World, and got in touch with the Kansan, so that Wayne's friends would know of his passing.

I am writing Mrs. Naismith, formerly Mrs. Kincaid, at the Sigma Phi Epsilon house at Lincoln, Nebraska. I am not sure where she can be found this summer but I am sure her mail will be forwarded to her.

There is so little that we can say that will assuage the feelings of a mother and father at such a time. We lost our oldest son in 1925 and I assure you that I can deeply sympathize with you, yet I am sure that there is a very deep pride that you have in knowing that you had a son who contributed to the imperishable names on America's honor roll.



Won't you please extend to Mrs. Nees and Wayne's brothers Mrs. Allen's and my sympathy, and remember of course that I do know how a father feels.

With deep regards and tender emotions, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH





A. B. NEES & SONS  
AGENTS  
223 - 224 CITIZENS BANK BLDG.  
BRAZIL, INDIANA

June 5  
1943

Mr. Forrest C. Allen,  
Athletic Department,  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:-

I am writing to tell you of a wire just received yesterday from the War Department advising us that my son, Charles Wayne Nees, was killed in action in the North American area on May 18th last.

We have no further details, but presume that his death occurred in the Attu drive in the Aleutians. He was graduated from the Infantry School as a 2nd Lieutenant in November 1942 and had been at Fort Ord, California until about the first of April.

Since Wayne, or "Gus" as he was known on your campus, held such dear memories of his associations in basket-ball and track when he was at Lawrence from 1935-40 I would like for you to see that the University is properly notified for their records. I am today writing his fraternity, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and would appreciate your checking with them to be sure that they get the letter, as I do not know whether they are still in their chapter house ~~or not~~, due to present day disruptions on college campuses.

Also, since Wayne always held Mrs. Naismith formerly Mrs. Kincade in such high regard, if you could advise her we would be deeply appreciative.

Very truly yours,

A. B. Nees.

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*Sch of Bus '40*



June 14, 1943.

Lieut. John T. Andrews,  
Air Corps, Materiel Division,  
Wright Field,  
Dayton, Ohio.

Dear Jack:

I certainly thank you for sending me the clipping from the Brazil paper. I had received a letter from Wayne's father, and Clif Calvin as an alumnus of Sig Ep, had also received one. Clif gave it to Dolph Simons and Dolph had it in the Journal-World.

I immediately wrote the father expressing the University's and my deep sorrow in the untimely loss of Wayne. I also called the Kansan and had a fine tribute to him in that paper. I sent both the Journal World and the Kansan to Mr. Nees.

I appreciate your writing, Jack, and certainly agree with you that we lost a wonderful boy. I assure you I consider it a very personal loss. He was a grand boy and I know that he went out giving everything he had for his country. Someone has said that "only those are fit to live who are not afraid to die". Certainly Wayne's actions both on and off the field of battle bear out this testimony.

Give the good wife my kindest regards, and believe me, always,

Sincerely and Rotarily yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



# CHAS. WAYNE NEES KILLED IN ACTION IN NORTH AMERICA

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MR. AND MRS. A. B. NEES TO-  
DAY RECEIVED SAD NEWS  
OF DEATH OF THEIR SON,  
LIEUT. NEES.

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## SAD MESSAGE BRINGS BRIEF INFORMATION

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Young Officer Was One of Brazil  
High School's Best Athletes and  
a Graduate of Kansas Univer-  
sity.

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Lieut. Charles Wayne Nees, son  
of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo B. Nees,  
704 south Walnut street, made  
the supreme sacrifice for his coun-  
try, having been killed in action  
May 18 in the North American  
area, according to the brief mes-  
sage received from the War De-  
partment today.

Thus the war brought to a close  
the promising career of one of  
Brazil's finest young men and one  
of the best athletes ever to have  
been graduated from Brazil High  
School. Endowed with a large  
and strong body he had a fine  
sense of co-ordination, competi-  
tive spirit and fine sportsmanship  
attitude that made him a favorite  
of his team mates and followers  
of athletics. He starred in foot-  
ball, basketball and track teams  
and was a member of Coach Ra-  
leigh Phillips' great track and field  
team which shattered so many rec-  
ords at the Kokomo relay games  
and won state and national meet  
honors.



Wayne was graduated from the University of Kansas at Lawrence where he was also prominent in athletics, and a member of Kansas' track and relay teams. After his graduation there he became an accountant and was employed in West Virginia when he was inducted through Selective Service.

On Nov. 23, 1942, he was graduated from the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga., with the rank of second lieutenant and was home on a furlough shortly afterwards. At that time he expressed his conviction in the value of military training and said that he hoped that after the war it would become a compulsory part of the training of young people in the schools.

No details of his sad death were given in today's message but it is presumed he was killed in the Aleutian Islands as that was the week when fighting on Attu was at its peak.

Wayne is remembered as an industrious and ambitious young man. After his graduation from high school here he worked in Ohio, saving money enough for his tuition at Kansas University, at Lawrence. He worked his way through that institution, being handicapped by the loss of time following a major surgical operation. He was a member of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Greek letter fraternity there.

Lieut. Nees was 30 years of age and most of his years were spent in Brazil. The family survivors are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo B. Nees; Carl, of Port Clinton, O.; William Earl and Burton, of Indianapolis, and Warren, of Terre Haute. A brother, John Paul, was drowned while bathing at Mansfield twenty-two years ago this month.



WAR DEPARTMENT  
AIR CORPS  
MATERIEL DIVISION  
OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF DIVISION

WRIGHT FIELD, DAYTON, OHIO  
June 8, 1943

Dr. F. C. Allen  
Director, Department of Physical Education and  
Basketball Coach  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas

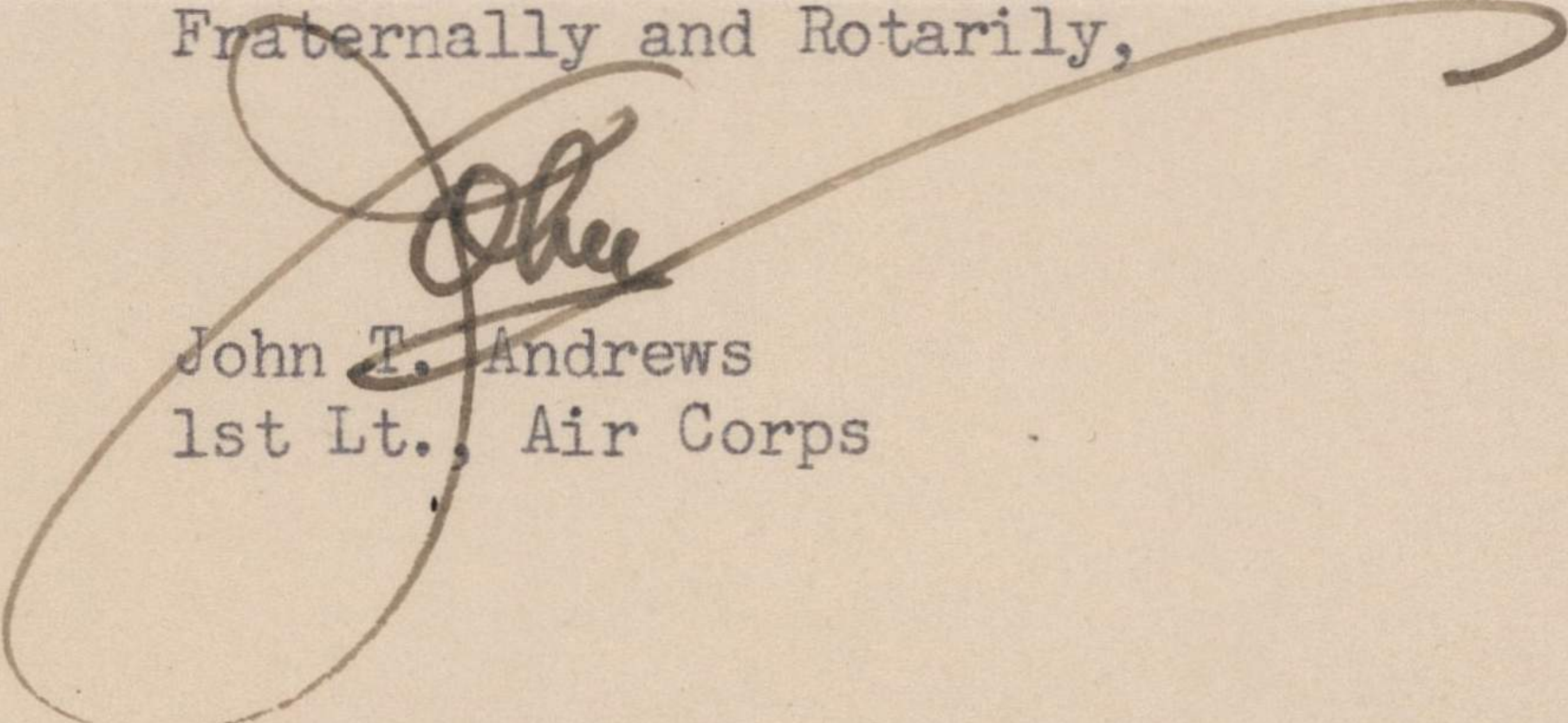
Dear Phog:

I am enclosing the article from the old home town paper, which carries the sad news of the death of C. Wayne "Gus" Nees, who was killed in action May 18 in the North American Area. Being one of your boys as he was, I know how much you will appreciate getting this information, not only for yourself, but for the University's War Record Roll.

I need not tell you how much I thought of Gus and his loss is indeed a personal one to me. Wayne went out fighting in characteristic style. I never knew him to ask quarter from anyone in life, and I am sure it was precious little he ever received, if any. He only knew how to work and fight for what he got and work hard for everything he got, which not only included his High School and College Diplomas, but also his Officer's Commission and his right to honored immortality in his death for his Country.

I know you will want to write his parents, whose address is given in the article enclosed. I am proud indeed that Gus Nees was in part my boy.

Fraternally and Rotarily,

  
John T. Andrews  
1st Lt., Air Corps

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"Phog": Please call Ralph Simons regarding this. He knows Wayne and I am sure his many friends in and around Lawrence will appreciate knowing about him.



August 13, 1943.

Mrs. C. F. Nelson,  
625 West 16th Street,  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Nelson:

Thank you for your very good letter of Wednesday, the eleventh. Please go to no difficulty regarding the copy of the Cape Girardeau speech. However, if Dr. Nelson comes on the hill just ask him to please put it in the University mail and I will get it in due time.

Thank you for your kind invitation to visit you on your very inviting front porch. We are planning to do this but we will wait until the weather man promises just a little cooler weather.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



625 West Sixteenth Street  
Lawrence, Kansas

Wednesday

My dear Dr. Allen -

I was happy  
to be able to read your  
speech before the Southeast  
Missouri State Teachers College  
which seems so sound  
and logical that I am sure  
your audience must have  
agreed.

We can never get away  
from the Greek concept of <sup>sound philosophy</sup>  $\alpha_1$



sound body. To suppose the  
quandary comes as to ways  
and means. Where it comes  
to the college teams whose  
members spend so much time  
for their university's credit and  
good standing I have always  
thought there should be an  
open acknowledgment in money  
terms - directly from the university,  
with nothing to be accepted  
from private sources. If all  
sources of income were publicized  
it might help some. As  
wouldn't it?



625 West Sixteenth Street  
Lawrence, Kansas

It must do a good deal  
of good to discuss these  
matters openly and fearlessly  
as you have been doing.

Thank you again for letting  
me see the paper. Shall I  
return it?

Tell Mr. Allen we are  
expecting you all on the porch  
some evening. Just  
give us a ring! Cordially  
Hearty Nelson



July 26, 1943.

Mrs. C. F. Nelson,  
625 West 16th Street,  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mrs. Nelson:

This morning when Dr. Hardin Craig spoke about athletics overshadowing the more vital college life, due to the fact that professors did not take a more prominent stand, caused me to send this dissertation to you. I thought some of it might be interesting to you.

I spoke at the Southeast Missouri State Teachers College at Cape Girardeau, Missouri, two years ago when I delivered this talk. You will see that I find many things wrong with intercollegiate athletics, and if certain measures were taken I am sure they could be much improved. There should be no quarrel between the college professor of economics and the college professor of physical education or athletics. One should complement the other, and it is my desire to correct the evils of athletics so that there would be more harmony between the other professions and athletics and physical education.

I assure you I enjoyed the short visit with you.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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June 25, 1943.

To Whom It May Concern:

Wendell Ray Nickell is doing very satisfactory work in physical education, having missed no classes. His grade is recorded at the present time a B, with possibilities of betterment.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS  
LAWRENCE

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION

June 8, 1943.

Mrs. Florence Naismith,  
Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity,  
University of Nebraska,  
Lincoln, Nebraska.

Dear Mrs. Naismith:

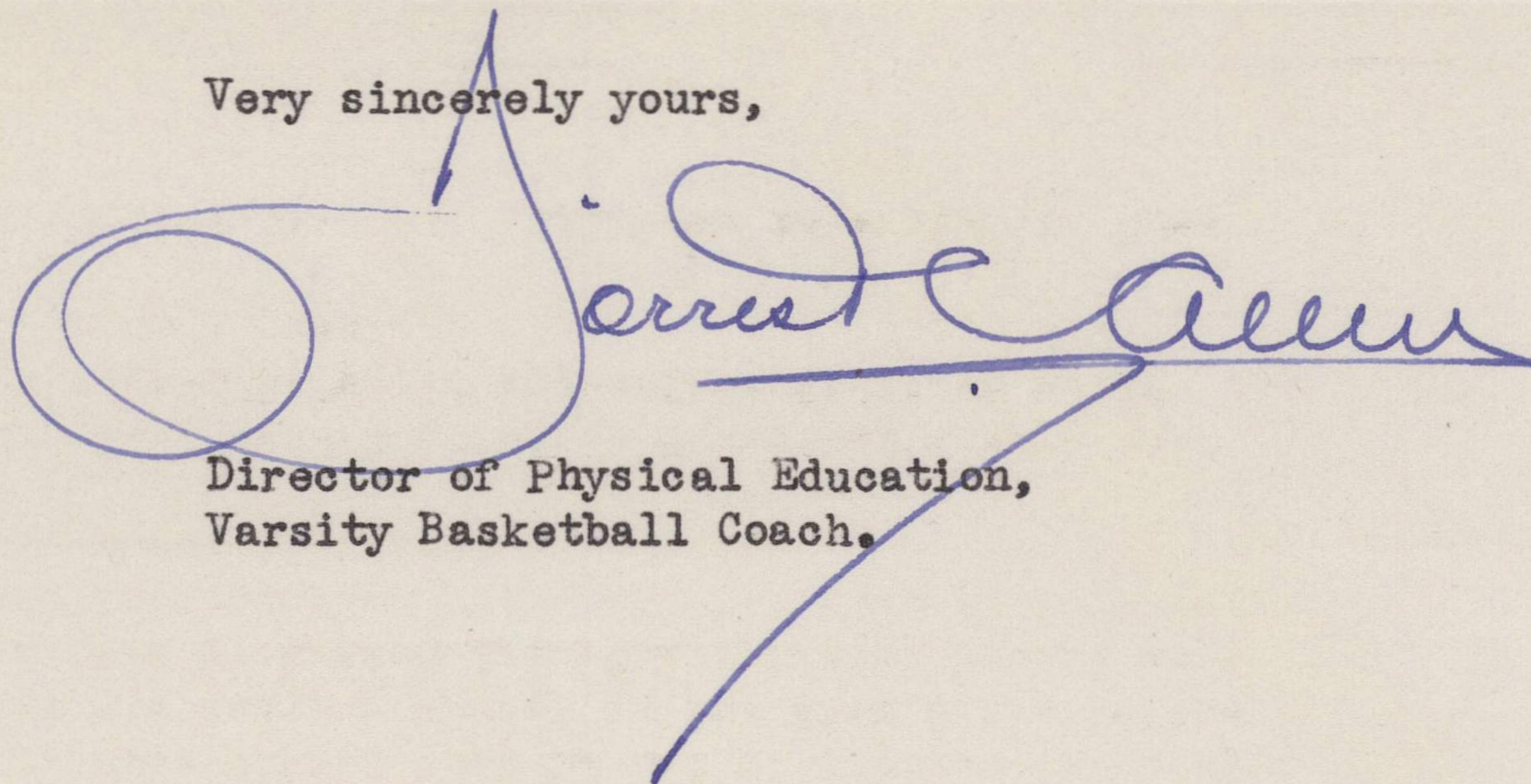
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Mr. Nees said that since Wayne had always held you in such high regard he would appreciate it if we would let you know of Wayne's passing.

I am sure that you will want to write the Nees family.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ernest Allen", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the beginning and a long, sweeping tail that extends downwards and to the right.

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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