

September 12, 1940

Mr. George Nettels  
General Superintendent  
The Pittsburg & Midway Coal Mining Co.  
Pittsburg, Kansas

Dear George:

I was sorry that I had such a short time to visit with you last evening, but it was a very pleasant visit I assure you.

You may count on my taking Harry J. Foresman under my wing and I will do everything I can to make his stay here pleasant and profitable.

There were several things that I desired to discuss with you but our time ran out. I hope that you can get up again before October 12, but if not, we will have a good session at that time. I was under the impression that you stated that you would be here October 5. That is the day Iowa State plays Kansas at Ames, Iowa. Were you planning on going up there to see them open the season?

Let me know so we can make arrangements to finish all uncompleted business.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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*The Pittsburg & Midway Coal Mining Co.*

*Pittsburg, Kansas*

GEO. E. NETTELS,  
GEN'L SUPERINTENDENT

September 6, 1940.

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

Dear Doc:

Harry J. Foresman was coming up to see you Sunday but I discovered that you would not be there until Sunday evening so I presume he has put his trip off.

He has been working for me all summer in the capacity of helping our driller and should be in first-class condition. He is definitely anxious to start to school and barring mishaps should go along in about the fashion that an ordinary normal freshman does.

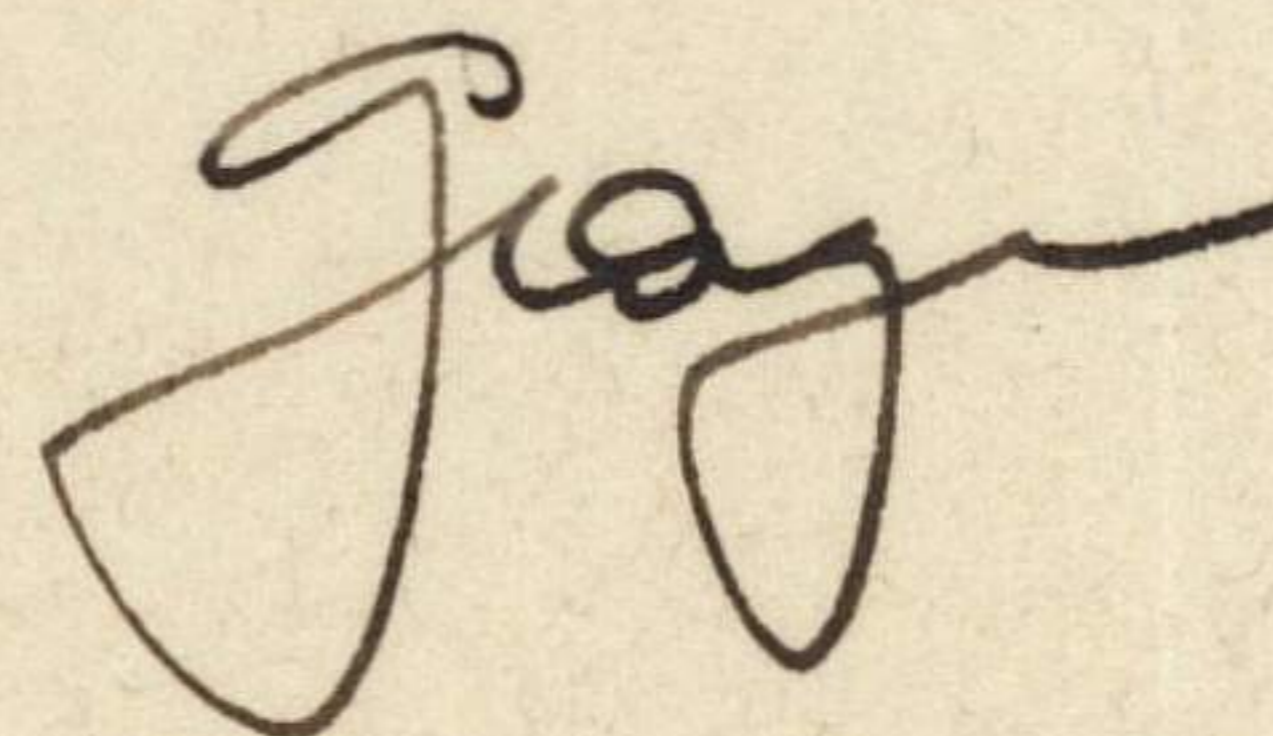
This chap is a first-class lad and I recommend him to you unreservedly. He is not a first-class student but I think has enough perseverance and intelligence to make an average record in school. He has got a lot of courage, persistence and a down-right constructive desire to get an education. On top of this I think he will make a basketball player and I believe he is a competitor, every inch of him.

Just how much work he will be able to handle on the outside is conjectural - time alone will tell. He has a pretty fair nest egg to start with and with a little help on the side should make it nicely. I shall consider it an extreme favor if you will help this fellow out as far as you conveniently can.

I hope you have had a pleasant summer, remunerative as well as pleasurable. I shall likely see you before this fall becomes very old.

With warmest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,



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September 17, 1940

L. S. Nelson, M.D.  
Salina Clinic  
Salina, Kansas

Dear Dr. Phat:

Your very good letter with check enclosed came yesterday and I immediately took the letter and the check to Mr. Earl Falkenstien, showed him your letter and told him to give you the very best that he had. These are the seats that he gave you: Section K, row 6, seats 5 to 7. I am very sure that he has taken good care of you for this season.

I am enclosing a plat of the stadium so you can see where you, Mrs. Nelson and W.E. are located.

My kindest regards to you and all the family.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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# Salina Clinic

W. E. SMITH, BUSINESS MANAGER

MISS JOSEPHINE PARSONS, R. N., CLINIC NURSE

MISS MAUDE DUNN, SECRETARY

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GEO. E. STAFFORD, M. D.

SUITE 408 FARMERS UNION BLDG.

Salina, Kansas

Dr. F. C. Allen,  
Lawrence Kans.  
Dear Phog.

Inclosed find blank check  
to pay for one season ticket and  
the tax on 2 K tickets - mind +  
Mr. W. E. Smith's his K number is 710  
I've forgotten my number and lost  
my K card.

The last two games Cora and I  
have attended we have been on the 10 yd line  
and while I don't mind seeing my turn  
there we feel that that has been done so  
hope for something better this year.  
Sorry we did not get our  
golf played this summer and  
hope we can do better at some  
later time. My best to you.

Sincerely  
Phog.

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October 15, 1940

Mr. Jimmy Nixon  
c/o Municipal Auditorium  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Jimmy:

Earl Falkenstien just came in and told me that he read of an accident that you had when you and Baker were going back to Kansas City from our football game here with Drake. I missed the article.

I want you to know how sincerely I regret the mishap, and we are all pulling for you here 1000% for your complete recovery. Earl says something about the spinous process of one of your vertebrae being broken. I hope that the break is inconsequential so far as your locomotion is concerned. At least, we hope you make a complete and speedy recovery.

I have been wanting to write you ever since I got a communication from Ernest Mehl saying that all the boys were pulling for you to be retained on the job at the Municipal Auditorium. I learned the good news that they had put you and Gene Zachman back. Congratulations to you both on having the old set-up and perfect teamwork that you exhibited to me on every occasion that I saw you two in action.

Please tell Gene when he sees you that I am coming up to see him shortly and see if we cannot definitely arrange a date. The deadline is about due for us to make such arrangement.

I am glad that Baker escaped injury and I am pulling for you as I am pulling for you fellows all the time.

With all good wishes and sincere regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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October 18, 1940

Mr. Warren Newcomer  
1621 Edgehill Road  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Warren:

It has been reported to me that you are being tutored in zoology at 11:30 on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, and that you did not appear for your session last Tuesday, October 15.

It seems to me if anyone is willing to put themselves out to help you with your zoology, and above all do it gratuitously, that you would be interested enough to present yourself for the tutoring sessions.

I trust that you will make it a point to be present for the classes hereafter.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach



October 26, 1940

Mr. George Nettels  
Pittsburg & Midway Coal Mining Co.  
Pittsburg, Kansas

Dear George:

I am writing you a progress report, which I am happy to send you, concerning Harry "Hank" Foresman.

Hank is a swell fellow and I am finding more to confirm that opinion everyday. He is in with a group of Sigma Chi's, however, who I am afraid are putting too much on "jellying" than some of the other fundamentals of student life. This is on the side, but I want to tell you that Gordon Gray, the freshman basketball coach, came to me a few days ago and said that three of the freshmen boys, who were Sigma Chi's, on the basketball team stated that the chairman of the social committee of the Sigma Chi house told them that he would paddle them if they did not show up for the hour social dances at the Union Building. That, of course, was orders not to show up for basketball practice, which they endeavored to be excused for. They disregarded his ruling and are going to take the paddling in preference to attending the dance.

I am getting more details and am going to take the matter up with the social chairman, reminding him that Kansas is not too successful in football and if this thing is carried out it perhaps is the best answer to the reason why we do not have more virility in athletics.

Now, back to the main story; Hank is having trouble with his Physiology. He came to me to learn how to study, or at least how to get his Physiology. I spent an hour with him going over a method of procedure that I thought would enable him to get this subject, and I believe he left feeling that we had opened up a new road for him.

I want you to know that I am giving him the very best cooperation and advice that I can. This act of mine is largely on account of my friendship with you and your connection with Hank through the Spencers, but secondly, I would unreservedly do this for Hank because he is a swell fellow and an earnest student. I do feel the social, jitter-bug life will have its influence on the boy, especially when he is not having too much success in his studies. We will always flee from the pain and annoyances that we have to lighter, less effortless things, if there is an emphasis on that sort of miscarriage.

Hank said that he had enough money saved up for a while and he thought he had better give up his work for the present. I quite agreed with him and reminded him of the fact that he took additional hours to be eligible for fraternity initiation. Fifteen hours is his total load, and that is too much for Hank's background, environment and hours of work. I am just bringing you up to the present in the status of Hank and Company.



Mr. Nettels

Page Two

Oct. 26, 1940

I insisted that Hank write you and tell you all the details, but you know boys correspond slowly and sometimes not at all.

George, did I understand you to say that you might stay over for the Parents' Day Banquet last Saturday night? I looked for you everywhere but could not find you. Why??

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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# Union Wire Rope Corporation

GENERAL OFFICE  
AND MILLS

21ST AND MANCHESTER AVENUE  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

November 20, 1940

Dr. F. C. Allen, Physical Educational Dept.  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Doc:

I have your letter in regard to the Alumni-Varsity Basketball game which is to be played next Tuesday, November 26th.

I will make it a point to be there, brittle bones and all, unless something unforeseen comes up.

Sincerely yours,

*Ray Noble*

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ASHLAND, KY.  
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November 29, 1940

TELEGRAM

Dean and Ole Nesmith  
Belville, Kansas

The days of our years are threescore years and ten, and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength, labor and sorrow. You have had a blessed heritage from a noble posterity combined with an exemplary example. We all loved him. Our Department and our family extend deepest and understanding sympathies. Sincerely -



December 3, 1940

Coach Kurtis Naylor  
Holyrood Rural High School  
Holyrood, Kansas

Dear Coach Naylor:

Dr. Allen was leaving for Wellington, Kansas to speak at a football banquet this evening when your letter of December 2 came in, and he asked me to reply to you.

Enclosed is a schedule of our basketball games for the coming season. You can see from the schedule that we do not have any games listed in Lawrence between the dates of December 20 and 28 inclusive. Our last game here in Lawrence is with Texas on the 9th and 10th, and during the Holidays the team is going east to play in New York, Philadelphia and Chicago.

We regret very much that we are not able to have a game during the time you desire, but hope it may be possible for you to come some other time.

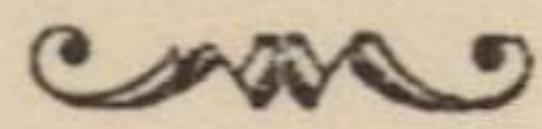
Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. F.C. Allen

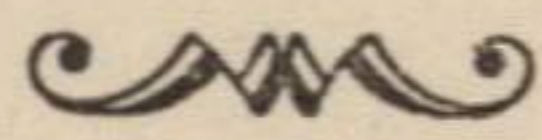
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HOLYROOD, KANSAS

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HAROLD W. COPELAND, PRINCIPAL  
MATHEMATICS AND PHYSICS

CORINE CORKE, HOME ECONOMICS  
GIRLS PHYSICAL EDUCATION

REBA CROW, COMMERCIAL, LANGUAGE  
AND DEAN OF GIRLS

MARGARET MCINTOSH, MUSIC AND  
ENGLISH

KURTIS NAYLOR, SOCIAL SCIENCE  
AND COACH WINTER SPORTS

LEONARD PRICE, INDUSTRIAL ARTS  
AND COACH SPRING SPORTS

CLARKE SIMPSON, PHYSICAL SCIENCE,  
BIOLOGY AND COACH FALL SPORTS

Dear Sir:

Would you please oblige by sending a schedule of your games this year. None of our boys have ever seen one of their own University teams in action and we are attempting to let them realize one of their dreams. We live so far from Lawrence that it is impossible to attend your regular "high school nite" and were wondering if it would be possible to make some arrangement to see a game there between the dates of Dec. 20-28 inclusive.

Sincerely,  
Kurtis Naylor



December 6, 1940

Mrs. Ray Noble  
3542 Paseo  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Betty and Ray:

I acknowledge receipt of your good letter of the 3rd instant and I am happy that you have given me the information that I desire. I have ordered a "Louis the 16th", silverplated, Reed and Barton carving set. It is not handled by Sol Marks & Son here in Lawrence, but they will order the same and it will be sent directly to your home in Kansas City.

I assure you it is a pleasure to do this and I know that it will make Ray's work much easier when he dissects that big turkey at some Thanksgiving in the future; especially when you have all your large family around you.

Please tell Ray that I turned in his expense account to Mr. Earl Falkenstein and if he has not already received a check for his transportation here, I am sure that he will before very long. It was good of him to help us out and we always enjoy seeing you both.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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December 3, 1940

Dear Mr. Allen -

Just a note to tell you how  
much we appreciate your  
thinking of us - I am truly  
ashamed that I have not  
answered your letter sooner.



Frankly we have hesitated in mentioning something to you because we ourselves have not known exactly what to say.

We have no kind of carving knife or set - It has just occurred to me that a good knife would be a great help to Ray and myself too. Our pattern in our Reed & Barton plated silver is "Louis the 16<sup>th</sup>" - This is just an answer to your wish that we mention some particular thing - and of course you



know that anything you  
decide on will please us  
more than we can say -  
We both enjoyed seeing you  
so much in Lawrence last  
Tuesday - Thanks again  
for thinking of us -

Sincerely,

Betty & Ray Noble



October 26, 1940

Mr. Ray Noble  
3542 Paseo  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Ray:

I was happy to have your letter of the 21st instant. I would appreciate it if you or Mrs. Noble would write me and tell me what silver pattern you have and what piece you desire.

It will be a pleasure for me to give you just anything in the tableware line that you would like to have. You know these men are poor pickers so we have to have some help.

I know how you may feel, but I desire to get something that you really would like and cherish.

With all good wishes to you both, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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Kansas City, Mo.  
Oct. 21 - 1940  
3542 Paseo

Dear Doctor Allen,

I feel terribly neglectful not answering you a little sooner.

I have asked Betty what she wanted like to have and she absolutely refuses to tell me. She says that she just can't ask Doctor Allen to get her a particular gift.

Please Doc, won't you send us something that you think is nice and we will think it doubly nice.

We are both so very happy that you keep us in your thoughts.

I was so sorry that D. U. took such a stinging defeat Saturday. I know one thing and that is a D. U. basketball team will never see defeat by such a



margin from any team. Hope  
you take it out on Nebraska  
this year. Best of luck for  
a successful season, etc.

Sincerely yours,  
Ray Noble.



September 30, 1940

Mr. Ray Nobel  
3542 Paseo  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Ray:

You or the Mrs. have not told me what you would like in the way of silverware for your marital dining-room table. I have been waiting to hear from you.

I trust that you are both well and happy.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach



December 21, 1940

Mr. Ole Nesmith  
Hotel Sevilla  
117 West 58th Street  
New York, New York

Dear Ole:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter of recommendation  
I have sent to the Employers Mutuals, Wausau, Wisconsin.

We are leaving Lawrence on Monday, December 23,  
and will stop in Chicago, Ann Arbor, Buffalo, West Point,  
and then on to New York. We will be quartered at the  
Hotel Piccadilly from December 26 until December 29 and  
hope to see you there.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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January 30, 1941

Dr. D.M. Nigro  
Rockne Club  
Argyle Building  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Dr. Nigro:

I am sending you an autographed gloss  
such as you requested in your letter of the 29th  
instant.

Thank you for your good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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DR. D. M. NIGRO, Originator

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Argyle Building

Kansas City, Missouri

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To perpetuate the Memory of Knute Rockne, the Inspiring Master, who accomplished so much for Youth and Clean Athletics, in Annual Memorials on the 4th day of each March, the date of his birth.

January 27, 1941

Dr. "Phog" Allen  
c/o University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kans.

Dear Coach:

Greetings!

I am fixing up a recreation room which I have named the "Gridiron" and am getting a number of friends and sports celebrities autographed photos for it and would appreciate it if you would send me one of yours at your early convenience.

With kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

*DM Nigro*

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*Doc: Keep up the good work  
on your basketball team  
hope they keep winning  
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February 22, 1941

Mr. Frank C. Neal, Jr.  
General Electric Company  
1 River Road  
Schenectady, New York

Dear Frank:

It was nice to have your letter of February 15th. I certainly want you to know that we were very happy to have you and Mrs. Neal at our games and with our gang whenever possible. I am glad that you enjoyed a visit with Charles "Hutch" Walker. He is a fine boy, and I know how popular he must be with the family. He is very cooperative, affable, and yet has a mind of his own. Yes, it was tough to lose to Fordham and Temple, but since the boys had the flu, you couldn't do anything about it.

Charles is coming along fine now and with another year under his belt, he will make a wonderful player. Whenever you and the Mrs. are in this part of the country, you are invited to gang along with us.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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SCHENECTADY, N. Y.

1 River Road  
SCHENECTADY, N. Y.

Feb 15, 1941

Dear Phog,

This is certainly a rather late date to be thanking you for the many favors you did for us in New York. I want you to know how much Mrs Neal and I appreciate the fine tickets you got us to say nothing of the meals and other entertainment. You also gave us a excellent opportunity to visit with Charles, something we don't get very often since we are so far away.

I know it was hard losing the games to Fordham and Temple but appearantly it did the boys a lot of good to take the trip and also get



beat because I see they are at the top in the Big 6 race and have a chance to win another title. I hope that Charles gets over his over-anxiousness as I feel he would do a much better job if he didn't try so hard.

I left New York after the game and flew out to Kansas City on business. I was also in Lawrence but didn't see many familiar faces because every one was on vacation still. I guess that was the day before New Year's Day and things were pretty generally deserted.

Thanks again for everything and best wishes for another successful season.

Frank C. Neal Jr.



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# Freiderica Hotel

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

SAM J. PECK, MANAGER

# Washington Hotel

FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS

Written at

Tuesday P.M.

Dear Doc -

I've been searching the Arkansas papers all morning trying to find out how you fared with Neb. last night, apparently Arkansas don't know that Kansas at the moment lacks the his conference. I hope finally you were able to take them.

I'm here, standing by, awaiting the outcome of a car accident in which Mr + Mrs M<sup>e</sup> Elberic left the road on a curve just west of Belle Vista, turned over several times and landed in the hospital here, with extent of injuries unknown. You possibly remember M<sup>e</sup> Elberic as Genl



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SAM J. PECK, MANAGER

# Washington Hotel

FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS

Written at \_\_\_\_\_

Sales Manager of our company. The threat of  
Pneumonia to both is very much in the offing, in  
fact I believe the Doc very much fears it  
in the case of "N.E.". About all I can do  
is to try to lead any outside help of such  
is needed. May be here for several days.

I've been having a hell of a time with  
my right sacro-iliac - I wonder if I  
come up this week and would you help  
me out. Don't use a little osteopathic  
treatment would work wonders. Sometimes it  
puts me so bad I can hardly stand  
rest. But know what you schedule



Freiderica Hotel  
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

SAM J. PECK, MANAGER

Washington Hotel  
FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS

Written at \_\_\_\_\_

is but upon my return home will  
consult a schedule and if you are here  
town that did run up.

Everything has gone along pretty well,  
I've been enjoying living much as ever.

Family all well and be so conveniently.

Best regards

Gay Nettles