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January 18, 1941

Mr. Dan Partner
Sports Desk
Kansas City Star
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Dan:

I wanted to write you a letter on the Ted O'Leary-Bob Allen situation the first of the week, and I thought I would get a chance to do it sooner, but it seems as if I just do not have enough time.

Please refer to the January 16 issue of C.E. McBride's sporting comment in which he says "Jack Lippert, the little Trojan guard who fumbled away the N.C.A.A. championship in the Auditorium, last March, shot eight buckets against U.C.L.A. recently."

Mac's article on Sam Barry a week or so ago quoted Sam as saying Jack Lippert fumbled away the ball. You can quote me if you want to. I will give you the correct version of this.

Maybe it was Jack Lippert, but I thought it was Vaughn, the star of U.S.C. that lost the ball, but I will let it go at Lippert because Sam ought to know his men and I was not sure of it.

Just after Vaughn had shot the long goal, following Bob Allen's field goal and free throw, U.S.C. went into a stall. They were holding the ball, passing it, dribbling and hoping to take up enough time by maintaining possession until the clock would pick off the necessary seconds and the game would be over.

The ball was passed to Howard Engleman's man over near the west side of the court, about fifteen feet from the division line. Engleman reached forward to engage him and the U.S.C. man started to pivot toward the side line and toward the north goal, which was U.S.C.'s goal. Just at that time Bobby Allen, who was over near the free throw line and further east, saw the play situation at a glance and left his own man, swung around behind either Vaughn or Lippert and as this man pivoted away from Engleman, Bob stole the ball unexpectedly because this California man was not looking for us to double up on him.

Engleman, seeing Bob swipe the ball, ran down the side line and Bob, dribbling, followed him. Engleman swung to the corner and the California man between Engleman and the corner naturally retreated toward the goal. Bob swung over to draw the California defensive man toward the goal, then

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passed the ball to Engleman who settled down and shot a cool, clean two-pointer from the corner which resulted in victory.

I thought perhaps you might want to print the Kansas' Coach's version because believe it or not this is the way it happened.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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January 22, 1941

Mr. Dan Partner
The Kansas City Star
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Dan:

Thanks for your good letter of January 21. I think you had a swell story on Ted and Bob. It was awfully well handled and I know that friends of both boys here in Lawrence and elsewhere will be delighted. Again it shows the fine influence that a great athlete has on the younger generation.

I am still old fashioned enough to believe that these are the durable things that we should salvage from the athletic madhouse that is now going on. When coaches tell boys it is all right to smoke if they do not smoke out in public, and when they promise a young, immature boy everything that makes him a loafer and not a doer, then I still say that we have lost the real value of intercollegiate athletics, so far as their connection with education is concerned.

I want to thank you for your fine sentiments expressed regarding the N.C.A.A. Playoff. By way of explanation, I want to tell you that this has been an old old feud between Chet Brewer and me. When he was athletic director he accepted the chairmanship of the basketball committee from this district just to keep me out of it. I have known for eight years that Chet Brewer and Don Farrout have been trying to get George Edwards in the picture.

Four years Artie Eilers was Chairman of the Nominating Committee of the N.C.A.A. from this district. After he had received letters from all of the coaches of the Missouri Valley Conference and all but one from the Big-Six, and that was Missouri, stating that they desired me as their district representative on the Rules Committee, Professor French of Ohio State University, chairman of the Committee on Committees, nominated Mr. Edwards of Missouri. Mr. Eilers protested and quite a scene was caused in the meeting. Professor French stated that they desired a chance, and it was necessary for Mr. Eilers to get the letters and show them that this was not true. After much confusion I was named. So it was no surprise to me that the change came this time.

You can see now, Dan, why I would not want any part to do with the Tournament under those conditions. It will be up to Mr. Brewer and his nominee to put the thing over. I certainly will be glad to help out in all matters when it comes to cooperating, but I do not expect to do any work nor do I want to serve on the committee.

No, Dan, we will not even be Big-Six Champions. If we should get a tie out of it, which I think is more than unlikely, then the other teams' percentage will be better because we do not have a well-balanced team that holds the opponents low enough in score, nor do we get enough because we do not have enough goal shooters. However, we are making a courageous fight out of it and I was tickled pink over the performance of our boys at Manhattan. They really do have intestinal fortitude when it comes to meeting the "lion in his den." They had it set up for us for a perfect K-State victory.

Frankly, I think, Dan, that Engleman's hitting has raised the morale of the team considerably, and while he might have an off night it perhaps will be when they play two men on him and when they do they will release one of our other boys who, I think, may bag enough goals to make up for it. I believe that this morale angle for the entire team is a pretty good angle to hit on.

Now, here is a little inside dope, Dan, I wish you would treat confidentially. Engleman is one of the finest boys in the world, but when a team is played up as only a one-man team too much, it might cause a slight resentment on the part of the other boys, even though Engleman would have absolutely nothing to do with it. I would like for you to play up, if you can some way, about the courageous fighting support that the other boys give Engleman. They fight their hearts out and are happy for him because they realize that all of them are winning.

I stated that I thought Engleman played a marvelous game, and one that was near perfection, but no team can win on one man's effort. It takes the combined fighting attitude of the entire group to win. Therefore, it still is a five-man team, supporting Engleman as the top man.

There is not a boy that played down at Manhattan the other night who uses tobacco or takes a drink in or out of season. There was Engleman, Kline, Bob Allen, Sollenberger, Hunter, Hall, Walker, but that also goes for Bill Hogben and Jim Arnold. That is the reason more than anything else why these boys are fighters. They are the most conscientious bunch of trainees I have seen and they just stay in there and fight until the cows come home.

Really I did not think we would have a chance. I thought the psychology of the whole situation was set for an Aggie victory, but these little kids just got out there and fought the daylights out of them. The Aggies average 23 years and 6 months and our average is 21 years and 6 months. They had it on us in poundage, height, home floor, and every logical advantage, and yet unless we played a red hot game we could not possibly have won. It was just an exception.

Dan, if anything else occurs to me in the next few days I will set down and jot out a yarn for you, if I am versatile enough to think of one.

By the way, our game with Wichita University has been changed from February 4 to February 3, and our next conference game will be played with Nebraska here on February 10. The boys start on their heavy grind of examinations tomorrow and they will run a week. Consequently all we are doing is just having the boys report for a light workout individually at different hours of the day when their examination schedule permits. This order will prevail practically through examination week and then we will assemble as a team again just in time to play Wichita University.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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Dr. F. C. Allen
Head Coach Of Basketball
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kas.

Dear "Phog:"

Thanks for the swell letter regarding the Allen-O'Leary query. I'm using the dope in my Wednesday morning column and hope it meets your approval.

Your letter, however, contained some bad news -- and I mean it. I'm sorry to hear you won't be handling the N.C.A.A. play here this season. We had a swell time last March and I enjoyed writing the pre-game stuff for you in attempting to get crowds into the auditorium. I'll be frank in saying it won't be as much fun this time -- with you out of the picture.


Sorry you turned down Mr. Olson's offer but you know best. Now we can hope your Jayhawkers will be the fifth district champions.

I wired you today concerning some information on Engleman. I think a feature on him would be timely. Is there anything outstanding about the kid that you think would make good reading? I think he lacks color but maybe we can build something from an unusual standpoint.

I know you are happy over your swell victory over K-State. But what's going to happen when Engleman has an "off" night or some good guard keeps him from doing too much scoring? I'm expecting a good answer to that one.

Best of success to you and your team and I appreciate hear from you at any time.

Sincerely,



Dan Partner

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DAN PARTNER
SPORTS DESK
KANSAS CITY STAR
KANSAS CITY, MO.

DIFFICULT FOR ME TO DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN RAY EBLING, TED O'LEARY,
AL PETERSON, TUS ACKERMAN AND GEO. RODY. ALL OF THESE BOYS WERE
MASTERS IN FINESSE, TRAINING IDEALS, TEAM PLAY, AND MORALE. HOWARD
ENGLEMAN IS "BASKETBALL'S ABYSMAL BRUTE". HE DEFIES ALL LAWS OF GRAVITATION.
HE CAN SHOOT FROM ANY ANGLE AND HAS THE MOST TACTILE SENSE OF TOUCH
AND EQUILIBRIUM OF ANY PLAYER I HAVE COACHED. HE IS QUIET, MODEST, INTELLIGENT,
LEAN WIRY AND AN INDOMITABLE FIGHTER. HE IS SOFT SPOKEN, CLEAN AS A
HOUND'S TOOTH, NEVER USES ALCOHOL, TOBACCO NOR PROFANITY, HE IS AN OUT-
STANDING LEADER ON THE CAMPUS, PRESIDENT OF THE SENIOR CLASS SCHOOL OF
BUSINESS, AND HAS AN UNCANNY KNACK OF PERPETRATING JOKES ON THE OTHER
FELLOW BUT HE CAN TAKE WHAT HE PUTS OUT. HE NEVER SAYS AN UNKINDLY THING
ABOUT THE OTHER FELLOW. HIS MIND JUST DOES NOT WORK THAT WAY. HOWARD
WEIGHS BUT 167 POUNDS AND I PRACTICE HIM LESS THAN ONE HOUR A DAY. HE AND
BOB ALLEN WEIGH EXACTLY THE SAME. MY EXPLANATION OF HOWARD'S "HOT" STREAK"
TO DATE IS THAT HE REALIZES THE RESPONSIBILITY THAT IS UPON HIM AND
HE HAS ENOUGH INTELLIGENCE AND INTESTINAL FORTITUDE TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY
TO THE SAME DEGREE THAT IS PLACED UPON HIM. HE IS THE IDEAL STUDENT ATHLETE
THAT ALL OF US HOPE TO FIND IN INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS. ALL OF US ADMIRE
HIS MODESTY AND EFFICIENCY . HE IS A GREAT CHAP.

Forrest C. Allen

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HOW DOES ENGLEMAN COMPARE WITH RAY EBLING AND OTHER GREAT SCORERS YOU HAVE COACHED? PLEASE WIRE IMMEDIATELY DAY PRESS RATE COLLECT, SOME STATEMENTS ACCOUNTING FOR HOWARD'S

"HOT" STREAK TO DATE. REGARDS=

DAN PARTNER THE KANSASCITY STAR.

*Allen
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March 5, 1941

Mr. Dan Partner
The Kansas City Star
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Dan:

You are right, the Oklahoma game is a sell-out, but I have referred your request to Mr. Earl Falkenstien and he is taking good care of you for two seats and a press ticket.

I noticed your comment in your column this morning regarding the N.C.A.A. selection from this district. I think I wrote you before that so far as I am personally concerned that win, lose or draw, I am perfectly content to check in all the basketball stuff immediately after the Oklahoma Aggie game; even should we defeat both Oklahoma and Oklahoma A. and M.

As far as I am concerned, we have had more than enough. I am not interested in the N.C.A.A. play-off and I am in earnest about this. This is no bluff. But the peculiar thing about it is that the boys want to play; but I do not. If they are selected, however, I would go along with them and bury my own feelings in the matter.

After running a tournament and making \$10,000 for the N.C.A.A. last year, the big wigs of the N.C.A.A. wanted to give the colleges no money whatsoever. In that attitude and action of theirs, I could see no difference between the A.A.U. taking the \$10,000 from the Olympic play-off in 1936 and the N.C.A.A. taking \$10,000 from the N.C.A.A. play-off in 1940. The only difference was that different letters of the alphabet made up their titles. Their attitude was the same.

After going to Chicago and battling the big wigs and Olsen and the rest of the Committee, our team played three games in Kansas City for \$752.40. Two teams got 3/14ths and the team that we eliminated in the first game got 1/14th of the cut, after it had been out two or three ways. Personally, it would be a very great pleasure to me if the selection committee picked someone other than Kansas. These Kansas boys have done the impossible. They have gone through so far with only two losses, and I never expected to finish any higher than fourth. I say this with all candor and honesty. These boys have done things and I do not see how they did it. I believe Kansas is going to play a good game this coming Friday. The officials are O'Sullivan and Hogue.

Now, one other thing, I wish that you would quit talking about Engleman and talk about the team once in a while. As far as I am concerned I am not interested in individual records. Engleman has broken the Big-Six

record but what I am interested in is beating Oklahoma. I am not interested in whether Engleman breaks Frank Grove's goal record or whether he breaks McNatt's or Mesche's all-game total.

While Engleman is a very valuable man, I think it is most unfortunate publicity to have a boy feel that the whole thing is dependent upon him. The team's success is the only success that is durable and not individual success, because the other four boys must help him. It is unfair to the other players because Engleman is not a strong defensive man. His errors in passing are very noticeable to everyone, therefore, the other boys must give of their defensive strength more emphatically and nothing is ever said about it.

It is difficult to keep morale on a team when only one man is played to the heights, or even when two men are played up unduly.

Marvin Sollenberger, our regular guard, is in the hospital under observation and will not be in the Oklahoma game. This is confidential, but the doctors at the hospital are afraid of glandular fever. This is not a critical disease but a very serious one and might incapacitate him for several months. The lymphatic glands in his neck are swollen and he is running a temperature. Blood counts are being made and we are hopeful it is not as bad as first supposed. However, we will know in a little while but it will be too late, of course, for the Oklahoma game.

We will start either T.P. Hunter of Oklahoma City or Charles Walker of Hutchinson. That will cause a shift of the forwards also. We will use either Vance Hall or John Buescher as the other forward with Engleman, and Bob and John Kline will play the other positions.

If you want to quote me in my expression of the N.C.A.A. and A.A.U. I have no objection; neither do I object to being quoted on the part in reference to the win, lose or draw because I have a baseball team to coach and I have not seen any of them yet.

Our first baseball games are with Kansas State on April 7 and 8 in Lawrence--the dates having been changed from April 4 and 5 to this later date. The prospects at Kansas State are rosy and we have but one regular letterman returning who played on the regular team last year. Miller Cameron, our regular short-stop last year, enrolled at the University of Oklahoma this past fall so that he might play under Jap Haskell, where they encourage baseball decidedly. Larry Hensley, our regular center fielder, signed up with Detroit and he reports at Joplin in the next week. All the other players have graduated or like Monte Murkle, who caught last year, are staying out of baseball so they can play football next year and not spoil their football eligibility.

But we will talk about baseball later on. I assure you, however, I have had enough of basketball this winter because we just have not had the power, weight or height for our adversaries. We are thankful for all the things we have received,

and I am not desirous of seeing these little pygmies take a beating for an outfit who wants to pocket all the money. Certainly the crowd goes to see the college teams who play, and the college athletic association should get a share, so should the N.C.A.A., but neither one should hog the whole amount from the other.

Personally I do not care a whit what the selection committee thinks of my statement, but I do not want our own boys to feel that I am gipping them out of the Tournament. They really want to play but I do not want to use any words that would embarrass them. But so far as I am concerned I am speaking my own mind, but with no desire to hurt their chances.

If you should quote me as to a statement I made a few weeks ago, and reaffirm it now, that I do not like to see these little pygmies take a beating, rather than for me to show a strong animus against this outfit of money grabbers, then O.K. by me.

Now, another peeve. The idea of Olsen, who is Chairman of the Eastern District, putting the play-off at the University of Wisconsin Fieldhouse. That gives the Big-Ten the decided advantage over anyone else. It would be comparable to putting the play-off at the Oklahoma A. and M. Fieldhouse at Stillwater should A. and M. be a participant. The whole idea of the play-off tournament is to give everybody an equal advantage, but Olsen is looking at it from the money he will draw over the popularity of Wisconsin winning the Big-Ten. And when he is doing that he is also giving Wisconsin a break over the first, second and third district winner. That is not sporting. He is selling the fair-play rights for gate receipts.

The first eastern play-off was held in the Palestra and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania was not a participant. The second play-off was held at the Butler Fieldhouse and Butler was not a participant. Now the third one is to be held at Wisconsin and Wisconsin is a participant. They are playing on their home floor before their home crowd.

The first Western play-off was held at Treasure Island on a neutral court. The second one was held in Kansas City and the third one will be held in Kansas City, all on neutral floors.

The first National Final was held at Northwestern University where Ohio State University had played several times. That gave the Big-Ten an edge. Hobby Hobson, the coach at Oregon asked me to phone Harold Olsen at Columbus the night that Oregon beat Oklahoma, stating that they did not want Big-Ten officials, and if they insisted on Big-Ten officials that Hobby would insist on one Pacific Coast official. I was out at Treasure Island for the tournament play-off when I phoned. John Bunn, Hobson and I got together when Hobson made this request. John was driving from San Francisco back to Palo Alto that night so I was asked to do the phoning. I phoned Olsen at Columbus, Ohio and gave him Bunn's and Hobson's request, but Olsen told me that Dutch Lonborg was handling all details of the Tournament and we would have to take it up with him. I then

passed the information along to Lonborg but it turned out that they had two Big-Ten or Western Conference officials work the game between Oregon and Ohio State.

Last year we were supposed to have neutral officials in Kansas City, but it turned out that the boy who worked was Ted O'Sullivan, who was freshman coach at the University of Wisconsin and a practicing attorney at Madison; so we still had the Big-Ten because Olsen was chairman.

I have no chips in this game, but I thought that you should know some of the inside workings of the Big-Ten and the N.C.A.A.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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Dear Coach:

Thanks for the letter on Hogben. I wanted the information for personal reasons, not for publication.

I assume the Oklahoma game is a sell-out, as have been the other games at Lawrence, lately. Will you please ask Earl to set aside two ~~xxx~~ seat tickets and one press ticket for me? I appreciate your kindness.

Very truly yours,


Dan Partner

*Mr. Falkenstein
also recd. letter
from Mr. Partner +
has tickets for him.*

Harrison 3457

October 11, 1940

Mr. Don Carlos Peete
Argyle Building
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Dr. Peete:

Your letter arrived just before I am starting to class, but I must hurry a note to you to tell you that we will be looking for you at the Lindley Memorial Services in the auditorium.

I hope to see you before, but if not, we will see all of you good Peete's later and we have cleared the schedule so that we will have a good visit at our home after the services.

Until then and always, best wishes to you and your lovely family.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

DON CARLOS PEETE, M. D.

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Dear Friends -

You were right about
the night waves because we
have been thinking about you
folk many times of late -
Your letter was deeply appreciat-
ed as always - Your lives
are so much in a whirl
I don't see how you ever
write - Please do arrange
to come + see us soon.

We hope to come up

Sunday for the Memorial
services - We are just
hoping that you will be
free. If that is not our
luck may be one of

DON CARLOS PEETE, M. D.

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those delightful visits will
come soon.

I must go now so
so long with our best
wishes to all of our
good friends

Cordially

Don and
all of the Peetes

Good luck to our Foot
Ball team will get over
the hump one of these
days —

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Dr. Allen:

I don't understand why this
letter was returned.

Our letter dated Oct. 10 carries
the same address and it was not
returned.

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October 16, 1940

Mr. Frank E. Pringle
c/o Mr. Karl Reineke
Watts Truck Line
202 Washington Street
Kansas City, Missouri

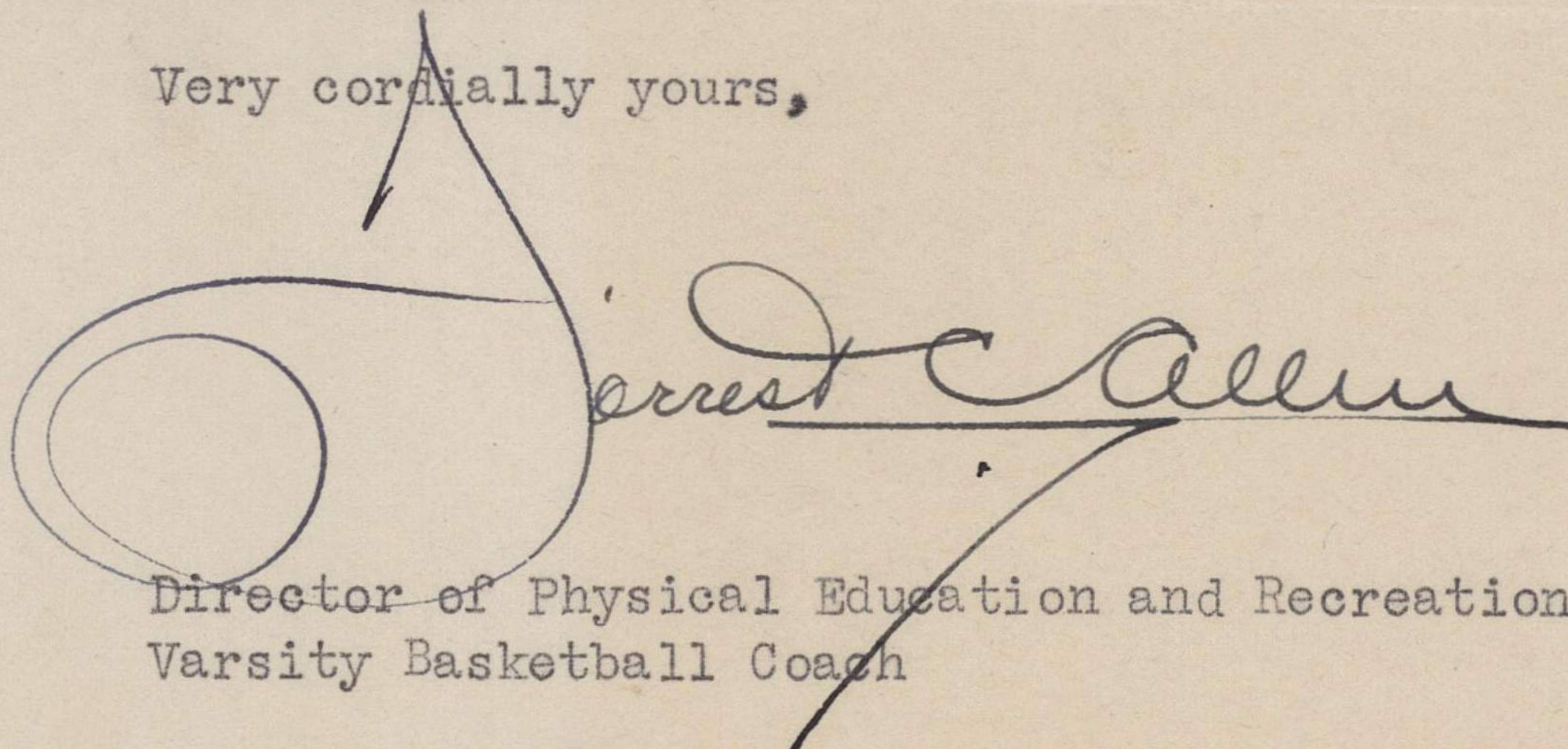
Dear Mr. Pringle:

I acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 14th instant.

I received your statement for last Saturday's game, the amount due is \$2.43. I realize that this amount is very small, but there were so many parking spaces available I can understand it would not be very large. I had thought it would be greater than this amount, however. The Nebraska game will be a bumper.

I am expecting to go to the Union Building about 6:15 but will be home about 5:00, and will be there until time to go to the Union Building for the Parents' Day Banquet. I would suggest, if it would be convenient, that you come to my home between 5:00 and 6:00.

Very cordially yours,


Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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October 10, 1940

Mr. Frank E. Pringle
c/o Mr. Karl Reineke
Watts Truck Line
202 Washington Street
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Pringle:

It will be agreeable for you to handle
the parking facilities as you did last year.

This letter should reach you early
Friday morning.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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October 16, 1940

Mr. Frank E. Pringle
c/o Mr. Karl Reineke
Watts Truck Line
202 Washington Street
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Pringle:

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Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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October 30, 1940

Dr. Theodore Paullin
Chairman, Young Men's Christian Association
Kansas Memorial Union Building
University of Kansas

Dear Dr. Paullin:

I am happy that your drive has gone over the top in good shape.

I have returned the pledge cards and also enclosed a letter from Mr. Earl Falkenstien which I think should receive your attention.

Congratulating you on your leadership in this campaign, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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Dear Mr. Allen:

The Y.M.C.A. drive has been coming along in fine shape. The co-operation of you men who are soliciting and of the faculty generally has been very encouraging indeed. At the present moment, the student drive is already "over the top" with contributions and pledges of \$689.00. So far reports from the faculty workers show pledges and contributions of \$219.50 out of our quota of \$575.00.

I hope that the work of the canvass can be completed within the next few days. If you have not seen all your men, will you please send in a preliminary report to the "Y" office today (Monday)? Return the cards of those who may have declined to contribute, as well as of those who have. Then try to see the rest of your people today if possible, since the community chest drive will be carried on this week.

I want to thank you again for the help that you are giving us.

Appreciatively,

Theodore Paullin

Theodore Paullin
Chairman, Advisory Board

October 30, 1940

Coach T. A. Parry
Concordia City Schools
1001 Gordon Street
Concordia, Missouri

Dear Coach Parry:

I am sorry to tell you that it will not be possible for us to have our annual basketball clinic this year due to the fact that we are playing the University of Texas in Lawrence on December 9 and 10. These dates fall on Monday and Tuesday.

We had planned to have the games on Friday and Saturday so we could have the clinic, but there was a conflict in the University calendar which prohibited our doing so. We are limited in our number of games which makes it impossible for us to play anyone else on the weekend.

These are the only two games we will play in Lawrence before the Christmas holidays.

With all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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1001 Gordon Street
Concordia, Missouri
October 28, 1940

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Basketball Coach
University of Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I would like to ask, whether or not you are having your annual basketball clinic this year and if so on what date it will be held.

This information will help us greatly in planning our school calendar.

Thank you!

Sincerely yours
T. A. Larry
Coach, City Schools

October 31, 1940

Mr. W. E. Padden
U. S. Engineer Office
701 Davidson Bldg.
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Padden:

I find that somehow your letter of May 22 was misplaced and I failed to answer the same before the close of school last spring.

However, I am now writing to let you know that while I appreciate your sending me that data on Robert S. Macklin at Amity, Mo., it is not our habit to offer any special inducements to the basketball men. We do this because we do not have any money for such purposes, and secondly, most of the special dispensations are granted to the football boys in an effort to build a better team. The fact that Robert would come from Missouri would have made it necessary for him to pay out-of-state tuition. We have no way to take care of this, and, since some schools do make special inducements, I am sure we would not be able to bring him here if we wanted to.

There is no extra money here for basketball players, and we have adopted the policy of taking only crack students interested in the University, and have endeavored to make basketball players out of them.

I do wish to thank you for writing me and I am sorry that I failed to acknowledge your letter sooner.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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U.S. Engineer Office
701 Davidson Bldg.
Kansas City, Mo.
May 22, 1940

Dr. F. C. Allen
107 Robinson Gym
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

I know you are always interested in boys who wish to play basketball, and am therefore passing on to you the information that I asked Robert Macklin to send to me.

If you can help this boy in any way or would like to have him come to Lawrence for an interview I am sure it can be arranged to your satisfaction. As a graduate of Kansas I am very proud of your N.H. team, and know they will be even better next year.

Sincerely

W. E. Padden

NAME: Robert S. Macklin ADDRESS: Amity, Mo.
 AGE : 19 yr. HEIGHT : 6' 1"
 WEIGHT: 187 lbs.

1. High School:- Union Star High School: Union Star, Missouri
 1. Attended the years of 1935 to 1938.
 2. Scholastic Standing--Valedictorian of Graduating Class of '38
 3. Athletic Competition:-
 - a. Years on Varsity Team-- 3 yr. ('36-'38)
 - b. Position Played-- Guard and Center
 - c. Number of Games Played in '37-- Won 42 Lost 3 Total 45 games
 Number of Games Played in '38-- Won 38 Lost 4 Total 42 games
 - d. Total Points Scored. (Outdoor and Indoor Season)

(1). Year of '37-- 1520 points	Average: 36 points
(2). Year of '38-- 1453 points	Average: 34.6 points
 4. Team Honors:-
 - a. Year of '37:-
 - (1). Won DeKalb County Outdoor Championship
 - (2). Won Northwest Missouri Outdoor Championship at Maryville, Mo.
 - (3). Runner-up at Maysville Indoor Invitation Tournament
 - (4). Won Union Star Indoor Invitation Championship
 - (5). Won Maysville Regional Championship
 - (a). Defeated by Jackson in first game at the Missouri State Tournament.
 - b. Year of '38:-
 - (1). Won DeKalb County Outdoor Championship
 - (2). Runner-up at Northwest Missouri Outdoor Tournament
 - (3). Won Maysville Indoor Invitation Championship
 - (4). Won Union Star Indoor Invitation Championship
 - (5). Runner-up at St. Joseph Regional Tournament
 - (a). Defeated by Trenton in Finals
 - (b). Defeated St. Joseph Benton, City Champions, in Semi-finals.
 - (6). Won Y.M.C.A. Intermediate Tournament At St. Joseph.
 5. Individual Honors:-
 - A a. Year of '37:-
 - (1). Scored a total of 414 points during season for an average of 9.2 points per game.
 - (2). All-Tournament Selection at Regional Tournament at Guard Position.
 - b. Year of '38
 - (1). Scored a total of 462 points during season for an average of 11 points.
 - (2). Captain of Second All-Tournament Team at Regional Tournament at St. Joseph.
 - (3). All-Tournament Selection at Y.M.C.A. Tournament in St. Joseph.
 - (a). Received Award for Second Outstanding Player of Tournament. (36 Teams in Tournament)
 - (b). Received Award for High Point Man of Tournament.

11. Junior College:- Trenton Junior College: Trenton, Missouri

1. Attended the year of '39.
2. Scholastic Standing --Upper third of class.
3. Athletic Competition:- Missouri Junior College Conference (M.J.C.C.)
 - (a). Lettered on Varsity Team.
 - (b). Position Played--~~Forward~~.
 - (c). Number of Conference Games Played-- Won 8 : Lost 3 Total 11
4. Team Honors:-
 - (a). Finished 3rd. in M.J.C.C. Conference.

111. Independent Basketball:- Union Star Amateur Town Team (1940)

1. Member of Metro League of Y.M.C.A. of St. Joseph, Missouri
2. Position Played--Center and Forward.
3. Number of games played--Won 21 Lost 5 Total 26 games.
4. Team Honors:-
 - (a). Finished 2nd in Metro League.
 - (b). Won St. Joseph Commercial Trade Tournament.
 - (c). Won Lathrop, Mo. Invitation Independent Tournament.
 - (d). Were only defeated 9 points by the Phillips Team of the Kansas City Naismith League.
5. Individual Honors:-
 - (a). Finished Second in the Metro League Scoring with a total of 105 points in 14 games.
 - (b). All-Tournament Selection at Center Position in the Y.M.C.A. Commercial Tournament.

IV. Prospective University Course:-

1. Metallurgical Engineering.

V. It will be necessary for me to obtain employment to finance any education. If it is possible for me to enroll under that circumstance, I shall, to the best of my knowledge, continue in school until graduation.

Robert S. Macklin

References:

W. F. Gilman, Former Union Star Basketball Coach, Goodman, Missouri
 Carol Russell, Trenton Junior College Basketball Coach, Trenton, Missouri
 Gene Sullivan, News-Press Sports Editor, St. Joseph, Missouri

October 31, 1940

Mrs. Tom Pringle
Home Visitor
Cowley County Social Welfare Board
Arkansas City, Kansas

Dear Mrs. Pringle:

Your good letter of May 24th regarding Wiley Crabtree was misplaced somehow and I am just now writing to you to tell you that I am sorry that such a thing happened.

I am sorry that I failed you on this assignment, but I would be interested to know just what became of Fred and how he is getting along.

I assure you it was not my desire to neglect this, but I was out of town much of the time on commencement speaking engagements and your letter was misplaced and only came to my attention early this fall when I was cleaning out some files. I do wish to acknowledge your letter, and apologize for not writing sooner.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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COWLEY COUNTY SOCIAL WELFARE BOARD

Office of County Director

~~Wichita, Kansas~~

Arkansas City, Kansas
May 24, 1940

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

Dear Mr. Allen:

Re: Wiley Crabtree

Since the writer is interested in helping the above named boy to further his education, and, at the same time, is interested in helping to supply athletic material for the University of Kansas, I would like to have your scout contact Wiley Crabtree, son of Fred Crabtree, at 908 South Second Street, Arkansas City, Kansas.

Wiley graduated from the Arkansas City High School in 1938 and while in school, he played football in the position of tackle. In order to help put his two sisters through high school and junior college, Wiley entered a C.C.C. camp and has an honorable discharge from this service. He served in three different camps and also has a certificate in forestry.

This boy now weighs 225 pounds and is six feet three inches tall. He was born July 3, 1918, which will make him 22 years of age in July, 1940. With his former experience in football, his training in the C.C.C. camps, his weight, and age, he should make an ideal football prospect. Wiley received a foot injury but it is believed this could be corrected with proper medical attention.

If this boy could receive N.Y.A. employment while attending college, he could complete his education and also serve the school in athletic activities.

Anything you may be able to do to help this boy complete his education, will be greatly appreciated by all concerned.

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Tom Pringle

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Home Visitor

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