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January 25, 1940.

Dr. Don Carlos Peete,
531 Argyle Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Dr. Peete:

It was a pleasure to see you and Mrs. Peete at the game and to have a visit with you before and after. I also want you to know that I appreciate very much the professional courtesy and professional skill that you rendered Howard Engleman.

I noticed a piece in this mornings Kansas City Star by Dan Partner, and I want you to know that I have said nothing to Dan Partner about it, but of course those things leak out and a newspaper man is the first one to look for such a thing.

I have not had an opportunity to see Howard, but I shall tell Dean Nesmith to tell Howard when he comes in for his diathermy treatment that I had nothing to do with the Dan Partner article. I want him to know that I would not give such things to the paper.

Also, I wish to inform you that when Howard first complained of his knee I examined it and told him that I thought it was bursitis and that the diathermy would be the thing for him, so we placed the electrode on the muscular region and another at the tuberosity of the tibia where the insertion of the extenses are. We are continuing the treatment as per your instruction and we are hoping that at the end of this long period of rest he will have that he will be able to use his leg in fine shape.

It was mighty fine to have the good visit with you people. I assure you that no one enjoys such meetings more than I.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

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February 6, 1940.

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

Dear Dan:

I am very happy to have your letter of the 5th instant and I will admit that I did misread your interpretation. I took it that when you said "He sends tons of advice to Allen's perspiring lads", it was meant that "he took tons of advice to Allen's perspiring lads". There is a difference there, and I beg your pardon.

Certainly it is illegal for him to yell from the bench. Any player or member on the bench shouting can be penalized with technical fouls.

It is very nice of you to offer to give Miller and Bruce Reid a break, and I appreciated it very much.

I will covet an opportunity to have a visit with you some time. I will also pass this word along to Dean Nesmith, and I know it will make him happy.

I like the humorous tenor of your writings. It produces a laugh and it is very interesting, and I think all the boys like it. I am sorry about Stan Williamson. He is a great chap, and it is too bad that these boys got into a mix up. But when strong personalities conflict it creates a furor that fans itself into a flame, prejudices and reprisals that have no end.

Hoping to see you in the near future, and thanking you,
I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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The BIG SIX SPORTSEYE

MISSOURI is preparing a "warm" reception for Phog Allen and his K. U. basketballers Thursday night in Columbia. Tie down the chairs, boys; that game will make Hellzapoppin resemble a Sunday school picnic.... At the December Big Six meeting here, one of the head grid mentors promised a local reporter a "hot" story in "about two weeks." The question before the house is: Why haven't the promised paragraphs popped? ... Henry Rohn, who'll be a familiar figure in Nebraska's backfield next fall, recently took unto himself a wife... Oklahoma's Coach Bruce Drake says the team winning eight games will win the Big Six court title. Last year he called it seven and seven it was... In answering Dr. Eddie Anderson's "I don't believe there is a college team in the country that can beat Minnesota on the ground," Walt Dobbins, in the Nebraska State Journal, prints a play-by-play account of Nebraska U.'s 60-yard touchdown march by land which beat the Gophers 6 to 0 last fall... A thousand copies of Fred Waring's new U. of Oklahoma song, "O. K. Oklahoma," have been distributed on the Sooner campus by a cigarette company... That "short" K. U. basketball team averages over 6 feet and is taller than some of the clubs Allen has piloted to Big Six crowns... Dougal Russell, the former K-State star halfback, has a good chance to succeed "Snorter" Luster as backfield coach at Oklahoma. He'll have tough competition from at least three Sooner high school coaches, however... The brightest light in the Iowa State line-up is Carol Schneider, sophomore center, who scrapes the ceiling at 6 feet 6 inches... The price tag on Oklahoma's grid-season tickets is \$9 and more than 2,000 have been sold to date... Quoting Maj. Bob Neyland of Tennessee on this subsidizing business in college athletics: "We (the Southeastern conference) give the athlete his board, room and tuition and let him decide what school he wants to attend. We do openly what the Big Ten, the Ivy league and other conferences condone but won't admit. We have nothing to be ashamed of"... The Norman Chamber of Commerce is expecting 500 guests at its appreciation party for the O. U. grid team Friday... Dean Naismith, the K. U. trainer, makes more noise than the Jayhawk student body during a basketball game and sends tons of advice to Allen's perspiring lads.

DAN PARTNER.

THE KANSAS CITY STAR.

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Feb. 5, 1940

Dr. F.C. Allen
Dept. Of Athletics
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kas.

Dear Phog:

Glad to get your letter of the 3rd and will do my best to correct the wrong impressions concerning Miller and Reid which you mentioned. I had no idea anyone would connect Miller with the knee incident due to his inspired play but the newspaper readers' mind is sometimes unpredictable.

I understood that Reid left K.U. because of the lack of money but having no substantial basis for the report I couldn't print it.

I'm sorry there was so much fuss about that crack I made about Nesmith. I'm enclosing my column containing the line and I shall appreciate your telling him that it I meant no criticism. It was merely a game note and I thought perhaps Dean would like seeing his name in the paper.

I'm sure that you don't need a trainer to convey instructions to your team and that you would be the last to resort to such tactics. There was no thought of a rule infraction when I wrote the line and I'm sincerely sorry if it caused you or Dean any undue worry or trouble.

I'm doing my best to keep humor in my writing because I think many writers and sportsmen, including coaches and players, become stale when they take the game, whatever it may be, too seriously. Life is much too short to worry and fret about some small incident which will soon be forgotten. Right know I'm worrying about the football situation at Kansas State. Williamson, in my opinion is being railroaded out of the picture because certain members of the council haven't the guts to stand by him.

But life is like that and we have to make the best of it.

I enjoyed your letter, Phog, and am looking forward to hearing from you again. I shall appreciate any suggestions you might have at any time and you can rest assured they will be taken in the right manner.

Very truly yours,



D.

February 9, 1940.

Mr. H. V. Porter,
11 So. LaSalle St.,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear H. V.:

Ernst A. Uurlaub, who graduated from the University of Kansas in 1921, is asking some favors of you. He was my captain in his senior year and has been teaching at Arkansas City and Salina, Kansas, for about eighteen years. He is attending the University this year and taking his Master's degree in Physical Education.

There has been much work done on the actual time that a high school player is in motion during a basketball contest. Several years ago Dr. Naismith did some very valuable research work here during the time that Wichita High School won the National Interscholastic. He made a heart and urinalysis test and did a pretty fine job, but I thought since basketball has become more strenuous by having the center jump eliminated that some recent work on this might prove interesting.

I suggested to Uurlaub that he see E. A. Thomas and do some work in collaboration with him in the state tournament this year. Uurlaub is writing you for some additional data if you have it, and I would appreciate your giving him the benefit of your advice and knowledge regarding this angle of high school participation. I thought we might use this to submit to the Research Committee of our National Rules Body. Have you or your colleagues done any recent work in this connection?

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

Lawrence, Kansas,
February 8, 1940.

Mr. H.V.Potter,
1111 So. LaSalle,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Mr. Potter:

Mr. E.A.Thomas, of Topeka, Kansas,
recommended you to me for information that I may
need.

I am going to the University of
Kansas this year for my Masters' Degree in Physical
Education and for my Thesis I have chosen the
actual time a high school basket ball player moves,
greater than a walk during a contest.

I would like to compare the result
against time players removed before the center jump
was eliminated. Now- do you have any informa-
tion on hand that I could use or direct me where
I may find it? I have the small report made by
Dr. James Naismith in the Rule Book of 1925-1926,
but need more information than that.

I hope to get at least 200 cases for
my study under the present rule. With the few cases
I have already studied, I have received some interest-
ing information which may change some people's view
point, that is those who are criticizing the present
rule of no center jump.

If interest, I will be glad to give
you the final report of my study.

Yours very truly,

Ernst A.Uhrlaub,
742 Ohio St.,
Lawrence, Kansas.

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February 12, 1940

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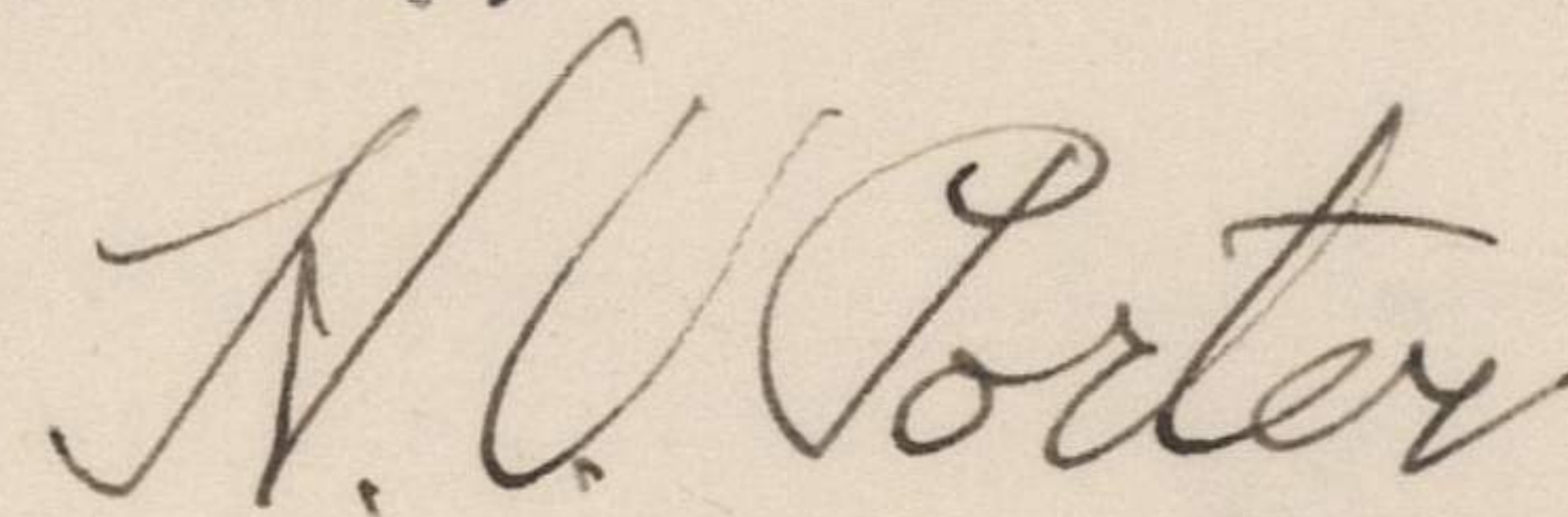
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Mr. F. C. Allen
Univ. of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

I shall be glad to send Uhrlaub some materials relative to health studies which have been made during the last couple of years.

Yours truly,



Secretary

HVP/j

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March 13, 1940.

Mrs. Fred Pralle,
Box 682,
Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Dear Mrs. Pralle:

I was very happy to hear from you upon my return from Wichita, and hasten to send you the prescription that Fred wants. We just got back this morning and the boys are pretty badly bruised. Oklahoma played a marvelous game, and through it all they showed a wonderful spirit of sportsmanship.

Tell Fred to extend to the boys in Denver my best wishes. I trust they will be victorious in the tournament.

Will you also give Fred my congratulations on his promotion? He is so reticent and modest that I had not known of the transfer. He is a fine boy and I am very proud of him.

Mrs. Allen, Jane, Eleanor and Bob join me in best wishes to you both.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Enc.

March 11, 1940

Dear Doctor Allen -

Fred has asked if I would write you and get that prescription for "build-up" tonic, which you gave him in Chicago. He and Don Shields used it quite a bit in January, and found it very satisfactory. However, Fred gave the prescription to an uncle in St. Louis when he was there, and now it has been misplaced. Fred thinks he will need that tonic next week during the tournament and wonders if you will be kind enough to send the prescription to me.

Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma certainly tied things up in great style, didn't they? I am sort of torn between two fines, but I do wish you the best of luck tomorrow night in Wichita.

As you probably know, the tournament in Denver begins next Sunday. I do hope our boys are victorious this year. If wins mean anything in the League, they should win but one never can tell what may happen. I plan

to go out for the last two days of the tournament. In fact, there are quite a few people from here going out for the entire week's games.

Fred called me Saturday night to tell me he had just received a letter from the head of his department stating we would be transferred to Oklahoma City April first. We are both very happy about the change, and it will give Fred an opportunity to learn some first-hand information about the oil business. He probably told you that he was promoted to the Production Department on January first. We will be back here the first of October, or the beginning of basketball practice season. Fred, of course, is going to play at least two more years.

I will appreciate your sending me that prescription, and thanks a lot for going to so much trouble.

Please give my regards to Mrs. Allen, Jane and Bob.

Sincerely,

Felice Prall

Box 682 - Bartlesville.

June 23, 1939.

Mr. James Putnam,
1109 Tennessee St.,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Jim:

I am very sorry that I have delayed so long in replying to your request of May 24 in regard to the use of the pool by Witan during the next academic year. The opening of summer school has caused us to delay answering many letters.

We will be very glad to extend to you the same privileges that you had during the past year; namely, use of the pool from 6 to 7 p.m. every Thursday evening. You understand, of course, that Witan must always have a supervisor in attendance.

With best wishes for a very pleasant summer, I

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Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

6 to 7 p.m. every Thursday evening.

Witan must always have supervisor present.



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1109 Tenn.
Lawrence, Ks.
May 24, 1939

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

We want to thank you for arranging for the weekly swims of the local Witan lodge which, as you know, have been held every week during the past school year. It has proved an ideal recreational activity and ~~the~~ which The Witan is proud of. Needless to say --if the fellows had not had this opportunity, they would have had to wait until summer to do their swimming.

Since the year has terminated, we would like to request that you grant a similiar period during the year 1939-1940. This comes from a unanimous vote of the Lawrence members.

Yours sincerely,


James W. Putnam.

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Lawrence, Kansas.
May 25, 1939.

Dr. F.C. Allen,
Head of the Dept. of Phys. Edu.
University of Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

The Lawrence lodge of The Witan wishes to take this opportunity of thanking you for our weekly use of the University of Kansas swimming pool during the past semester.

We are indeed grateful.

Yours sincerely,

Haven Glassmire,
Secretary.

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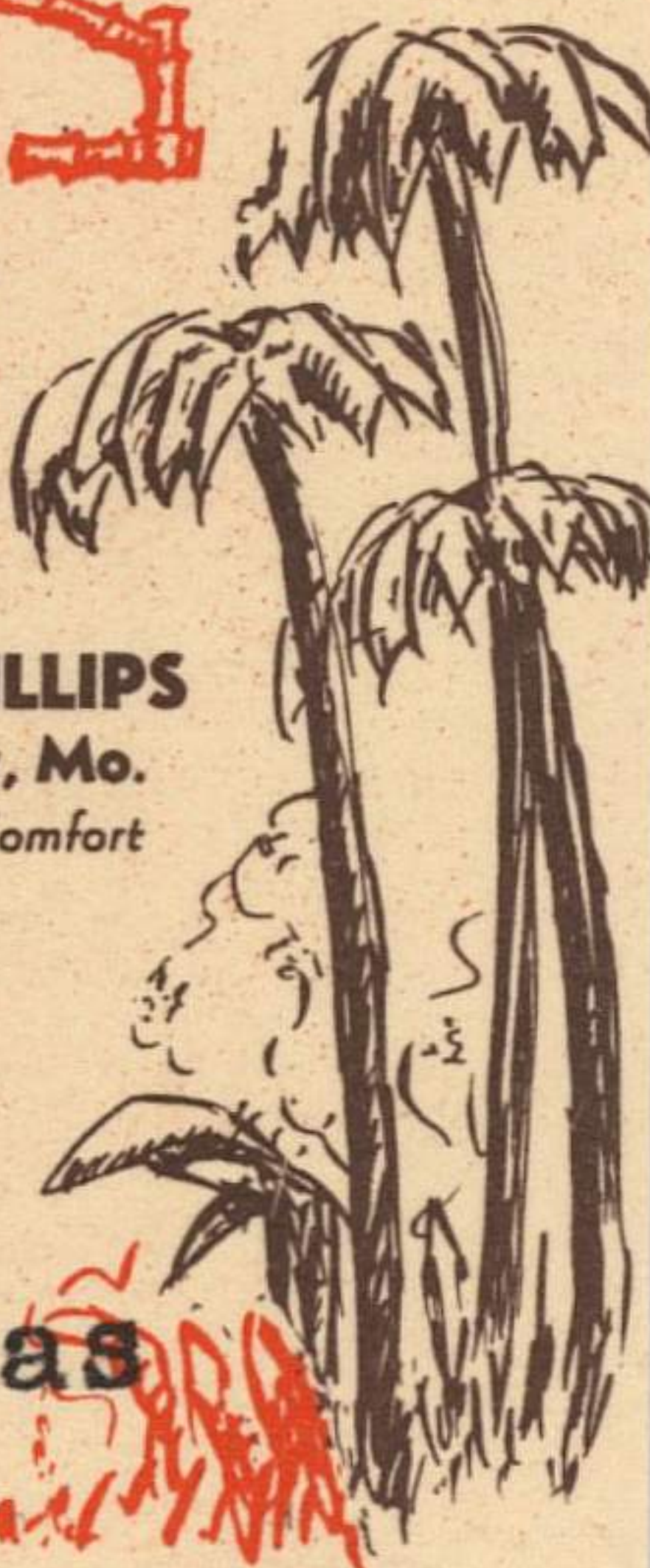
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~~Lawrence, Kans.~~

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**Come, fill the cup, and in the fire of Spring
The Winter garment of Repentance fling:
The Bird of Time has but a little way
To fly—and Lo! the bird is on the Wing.**

Omar Khayyam, Rubaiyat.



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Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Allen
800 Pa.
Lawrence, Kansas.

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No time to say good by.
My doctor has success, having
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Sincerely,

HOTEL PHILLIPS

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

20 Stories  of Comfort



September 13, 1939

University Of Kansas
Lawrence
Kansas

Attention: Mr. Allen

Dear Sir:

On August the 15th you advised that you were sending six rubber gymnasium mats for repair.

We have not as yet received this merchandise, and believe you should follow through the delivery.

MG:DS

Very truly yours,
PREMIER GYM MAT CO.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "J. A.", is written over the typed name of the Premier Gym Mat Co.

September 14, 1939.

Mr. Wm. Powell,
c/o A. G. Spalding Co.,
1012 Grand Avenue,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Bill:

I am sorry I missed you yesterday afternoon when you stopped at my office. I was out playing golf and shot a 42, which is all right for a dud. I usually shoot around a 41 or 43, but I am playing for fun and not for money.

The next time I am in Kansas City I will drop in to see you.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

September 20, 1939.

Mr. William Powell,
c/o A. G. Spalding & Bros.,
1012 Grand Avenue,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Bill:

We looked for you Sunday, and are sorry that we failed to see you. I had three engagements on Sunday - a Sunday School class in the morning, a meeting with the Y.M.C.A. in the afternoon, and a fish-fry in the evening, but I had taken your letter home and told the folks to give you the proper alibi if you should come while I was out. I would have been very glad to have seen you.

It is not necessary that your mother thank me for any little thing which I might have done. Tell her that any time I can be of service to her it will be a pleasure. We have a lot of athletes in Sig Ep, and I know we will see more of her as the years go by.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education and Recreation
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

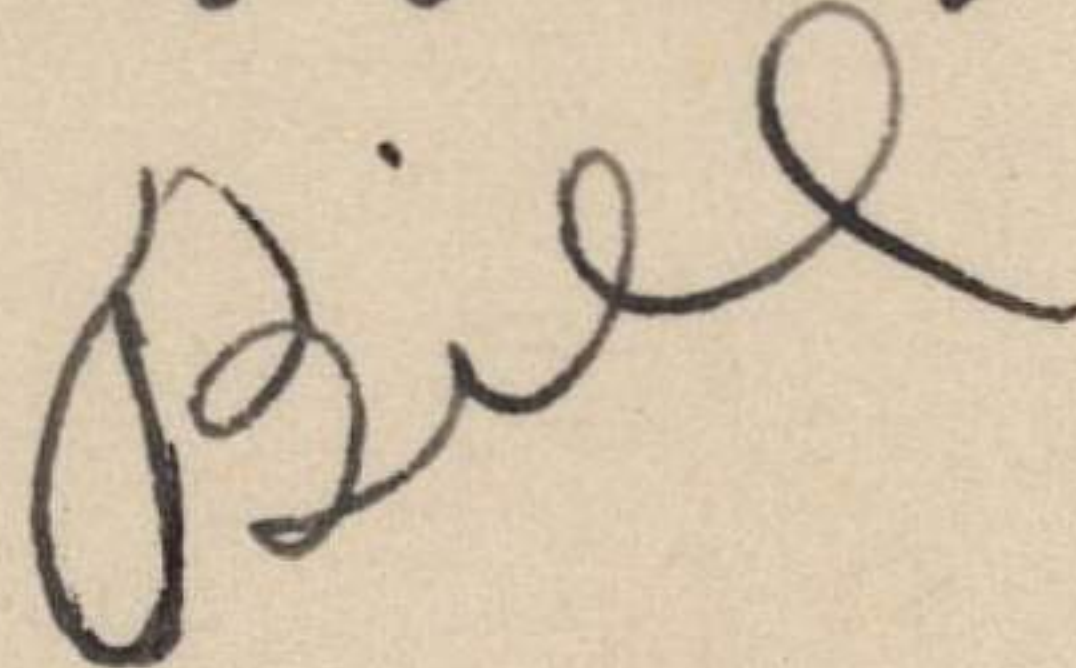
Dear Doc:

Thanks a lot for your letter of September 14th. I was terribly sorry to miss you the other day, but your office was full when I was there in the morning and I missed you in the afternoon.

I did want to tell you how much I appreciated your efforts in my Mother's behalf towards obtaining for her the House Mother job at the Sig Ep House at Lawrence for this coming year. I certainly think it was fine of you to write the letter for her and she has asked me repeatedly to tell you how much she appreciated it.

I expect to bring my family up Sunday for a short time to see her, and I will be glad to call you at home then, as I would like to talk to you for a few minutes. Things are going o.k. here and it looks like a very busy fall. I think that forty two you shot on the golf course the other day was o.k. and I'll have to have strokes when we go out to play our game. Thanks again for your fine letter and will call you Sunday.

Sincerely yours,



Bill Powell

bp;d

September 27, 1939.

Mr. Ray Patterson,
Box 152,
Loveland, Colorado.

Dear Mr. Patterson:

Thank you for your kind letter of the
22nd instant.

We think the black and white markings
on the basketball court make a wonderful improvement,
especially for a floor that is dark. The broken lines
emphasize the court markings, thus aiding spectators,
officials and players to a great degree.

The court may be marked at a very
minimal cost, and we believe in its benefits very
strongly. The black line is broken every six inches
with a two inch white square on the center circle,
the free throw lines and the boundary lines. This white
line is painted on with white show card color mixed with
LePage's glue, and wears very well for the entire season.
It may be washed off with warm water.

Coach A. J. McDonald, of Southwest Missouri
Teachers College, Springfield, Missouri, is putting the
black and white broken line on their new basketball floor.
We used it here all last year and intend to use it again.
Personally, I think it is a great improvement.

With best wishes to you for a successful
season, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Loveland, Colo.
Sept. 22, '39

Mr. F. C. Allen
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

As a long time follower of your basket-
ball ideas, and the success of your teams, I
am writing you for a little information.

As briefly as possible, we are completing
a new gymnasium here, and we are making it
modern in every detail. I read last year that
you have experimented with a black and white
boundary line. Is it successful, and would you
recommend it? I hope I have not been too
much of a bother. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Ray Patterson

October 7, 1939.

Mr. James W. Putnam,
14 West 6th Street,
Emporia, Kansas.

Dear Jim:

I was very pleased to receive the announcement of your entrance into practice. May I extend to you my heartiest congratulations and best wishes for a very successful career.

I thought you had a very clever announcement card, and I also like the quotation printed on your card. It is a quotation which should build confidence, and I think it is a good thing for a young lawyer to begin his career by gaining confidence. There has been a waning confidence in the legal profession, and this may help to build up what some of the non-ethical practitioners have torn down.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

October 28, 1939.

Premier Gym Mat Co.,
149 Wooster St.,
New York City, N.Y.

Dear Sirs:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 17th instant regarding our rubber mats. We have found it inconvenient to send our mats to you for repair at the present time, inasmuch as they are being used for class work this fall. I trust that some time in the near future we may find it more convenient to ship them to you.

Thanking you for your courtesy in the matter,
I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.



October 17, 1939

University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Gentlemen:

On September 13th, we advised that we have not yet received the merchandise which you stated was forwarded to us on August 15.

We should certainly have received the mats by now, and ask that you check with the railroad, and advise.

Very truly yours

PREMIER GYM MAT CO.

MG:JF



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Dr. J. C. Allen

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