

November 29, 1945

Mr. W. M. Richards, Superintendent
Emporia Public Schools
Emporia, Kansas

Dear Mr. Richards:

I am endeavoring to find out when Ernie Varnek, one of our superlative basketball coaches, will be released from the navy. He formerly coached at Topeka High School where he made a splendid record. He was head of the Department of Physical Education when he left, but I heard faint rumors that he might be looking for another location.

I know that they were very well pleased with him. I do not know the reason, or if there are any reasons, for the statement that he might not return. However, I'll find out, and will communicate with you very shortly. He is by far the very best man that we have if he is not attached. He has a wonderful personality with the boys; he is capable, and he knows how to work with the officers of the school.

I would recommend him without any reservations. You will hear from me shortly.

Sincerely,

Forrest C. Allen, Director
Physical Education
Varsity Basketball Coach

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