

Sept. 27, 1941

Mr. Nelson Sullivan
2208 Lathrop
Kansas City, Kansas

Dear Sully,

I am happy to hear from you and to know that everything is going to nicely with you.

I would be glad to see you on Tuesday or Thursday this next week or the week following. I have a class at 9:30 every morning and at 11:30 on Tuesday I have a faculty draft deferment committee meeting.

Please write me and let me know which Tuesday or Thursday you'll be coming and I will then reserve the open time I have for you.

It will be a pleasure to see you.

Sincerely,

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Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

2208 Lathrop
Kansas City, Kansas
Sept. 25, 1941

Dear Doc.:

How is the great "Doc."? There are rumors in this locality that you are going to have a better basketball team that you had in baseball. But I dare say that **in** a few years that the University of Kansas baseball field will be a veritable haunt of the big league baseball scouts providing you remain the leader of the nine young men.

By the way Doc. when is that book coming out giving credit where credit is due in regards to the man that made you a coach. It appears to me that this book is a long bit overdue. There are a lot of individuals that never kept very close to the sport page in this locus that are not **cognizant** of my connections with the varsity basketball team on the Jayhawk campus.

Realizing that this is one of many hundreds of letters on your desk I shall get to the point. I would like to ask for appointment some morning next week or perhaps the week afterwards on either Tuesday or Thursday. I will come with a basketball committee representing the Kansas City, Kansas YMCA and we have an idea we would like to share with you. It would take very little time to explain and I believe that 15 minutes would be entirely sufficient. I should ask for 2 like the guy that sold you the arch exerciser.

Hope that we might get together within a week or so and appreciating anything that you can do in this regard,
I remain-

your follower
Sully

September 26, 1941.

Mr. Forrest G. Stith, Coordinator,
Health, Physical Education and Recreation,
Department of Public Schools,
Jefferson City, Missouri.

Dear Forrest:

Thank you very much for your kind note of
the 24th instant, and for your Recreation Bulletin No. 9.
I am very pleased to note that "Better Basketball" is
mentioned in your bibliography, and also that you have
incorporated a description of our new game, Goal-Hi.

With best wishes to you, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

STATE OF MISSOURI



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

LLOYD W. KING, STATE SUPERINTENDENT

CITY OF JEFFERSON

September 24, 1941

Doctor Forrest C. Allen
Director of Physical Education & Head Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Forrest:

The department is appreciative of the assistance you have given in the production of our Health, Physical Education and Recreation Bulletin No. 9. I am pleased to send you a copy under separate cover, as I think you will be interested in looking over the work of our committee.

I hope all is going well on the Jayhawker campus, and that the basketball season will be just another good one.

Sincerely yours

LLOYD W. KING
State Superintendent

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Forrest C. Allen".

F. G. STITH, Coordinator
Health, Physical Education
and Recreation

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September 8, 1941.

Mr. Gene Sullivan,
Sports Editor,
St. Joseph News-Press,
St. Joseph, Missouri.

Dear Gene:

On September 3rd I had occasion to go with a group to deliver a young chronic alcoholic to Hospital No. 2 at St. Joseph. While at the hospital I picked up a copy of your publication of September 2 in which you referred to the unfortunate bad manners of the Omaha people in connection with Bug Ward's fine exhibition. I was interested in what you had to say regarding all sports, and in the comparisons that you made.

Gene, the plea that I make is that these college boys are amateurs, or should be, at least, and that we have adopted professional tactics in the treatment of these college boys. Basketball is the only sport in college where these boys are subjected to the indignities of a highly emotional fandom.

In golf most of these professionals come up from the caddy stage and they are hard-nosed and hard-boiled, generally speaking, and razzing doesn't hurt many of them. The college boy is a student primarily, or at least the majority of them are, and it is for this better class that I say should be protected from the blatant rowdyism that obtains in professional baseball, wrestling, and so forth.

I am still trying to keep my boys amateur in the strict sense of the word and I am endeavoring to have them conduct themselves as gentlemen.

I am not living in a fool's paradise and I realize that basketball has become professional the same as has football and most of the college sports. But there are still exceptions to that rule and I hope there always will be some.

I wanted you to know that I enjoyed your article and had I not had other people with me who had to get back to Kansas City I would have dropped in for a short chat. You have

a fine column and I always enjoy reading it.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

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Sept. 25, 1941

Coach Charles L. Summers
East Alton-Wood River Community High School
Wood River, Illinois

Dear Coach Summers,

Pardon my negligence in not answering your letter sooner. As soon as your letter came I looked up Giff and told him that I was interested in seeing that he was made very happy and secure in this place.

He said that he was happy regarding everything. I told him then that I had received a letter from you and that you were a little concerned about Giff because of what he had written home.

He laughed and said, "Maybe I did write a rather blue letter then, but everything is keen now and I am happy."

I wanted you to know, Coach Summers, that I have made special efforts in contacting Giff and have been keeping close to him on all occasions.

I assure you that he will not be neglected and I appreciate your letter which showed a fine concern for this young man. He is a splendid chap. At the present time he is up in the gymnasium working under my son, Milton Allen, who graduated here in 1936 and played on that fine ever-victorious team we had that year. Milton is studying law and will receive his second degree this summer. He graduated in the School of Business in 1936.

I am sure that Giff will be very happy and I am looking forward to working with him at every opportunity.

With all good wishes I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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Sept. 18, 1941

Dear Coach,

Has our local lad got started off on the right foot. (I am referring to Roux.) I received a letter from him this week stating he had arrived in good shape. Reading between the lines however it seemed to me that "Giff" was confused a bit. He never was a chap to complain which he didn't do in his letter to me but seemed more uncertain than I had ever heard him talk.

Our high school has quite a guidance program. Each student has a Counselor he go to to get guidance and help to solve his problems. Maybe that is what "Giff" needs since he has not clearly broken away from this. Now I know you are too busy to take special interest and give all your time to a few boys but maybe some one else in your department might.

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Please pardon me for trying to give you advice in handling your students. You see I am so eager to see this boy get started off right. I think that is one of the most important things in securing a college education. A young boy long way from home does need guidance.

Left had to manage pretty well to get enough money to get out there and pay his tuition for one semester. It would be a loss to all of us if he got discouraged.

Please help the kid all you can for I know it won't be wasted time.

Sincerely yours,
Chas. J. Summers

June 25th, 1941

Mr. J. E. Schaefer
Vice President
Stearman Aircraft
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Mr. Schaefer:

Thank you for your good letter and additional
thanks for conveying George Trumbold greetings.

I certainly shall give you both a ring if and
when I get to Wichita.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and
Recreation-Varsity Basketball and
Baseball Coach.

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DIVISION OF BOEING AIRPLANE COMPANY



WICHITA, KANSAS

June 23, 1941

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

My dear Dr. Allen:

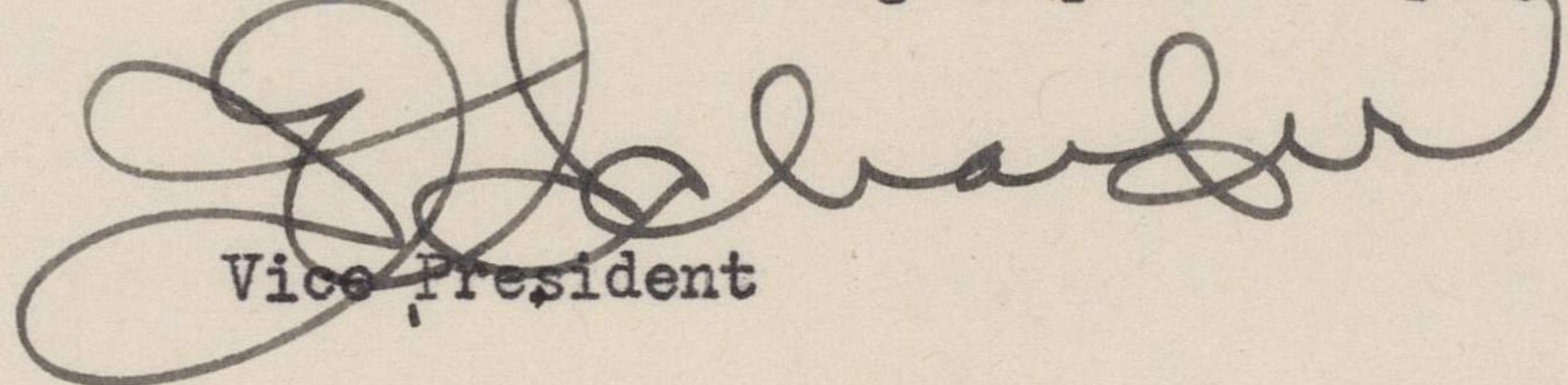
This is indeed a busy world and I well understand the delay in answering my letter of April 21. The fact that you answered it in the splendid way you did gives me much encouragement and pleasure. I hope none of us gets too busy to not have some time for fundamentals, particularly when they involve basic principles of character which we must continue developing in our youth.

To have a part in such a program is a privilege and if my letter can be of any value in your program, use it in any way you see fit, either by personal reference or indirectly, as occasion demands.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes for your continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,

STEARMAN AIRCRAFT
Division of Boeing Airplane Company



Vice President

JESchaefer:bc

Let Dr. Dumbold our Personal Director
is an old friend, doing a splendid
job for us and would like to see
you whenever you are in Wichita.



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