

October 31, 1940

Mr. Russ Sloan
Tennessee Approved Officials Conference
Columbia, Tennessee

Dear Brother Sloan:

Your good letter of June 1 was laid away in a file that fast gathered much correspondence about the time your letter was written. I had several coaching schools during the summer and I laid your letter aside thinking that I would answer it later. As my mail increased, I find that some of the letters that I had expected to answer immediately were pushed back for other matters that demanded prompt attention. After I returned to town I failed to get caught up on my correspondence. I am apologizing for my negligence.

I want you to know, however, that Porter Wiley is here and I believe he is learning a great deal as he seems tremendously interested. He has not said anything about desiring work. Naturally we have so many boys looking for work that unless a fellow pesters us about it we never worry a great deal. I will make it a point to discuss some of these problems with Wiley. I had forgotten what you had emphasized until I again read over your letter today.

I am chairman of the Community Chest drive, and this with the YMCA drive, in addition to my other work have kept me extremely busy. I am leaving today for Toledo, Ohio to address the Ohio High School Athletic Association in connection with their teachers convention. On Saturday I will be in Chicago to watch the Minnesota-Northwestern game. Then on the 7th I go to Milwaukee, Wisconsin to speak to the Wisconsin Teachers and the Wisconsin high school football and basketball coaches.

I only mention these facts to let you know that I have been much on the move most of the summer and fall, and if there has been any justifiable excuse in not answering your letter, it is because I have not been able to stay at my desk long enough to get the job done.

Some of the Phi Psi's told me of meeting you, and I had to confess that I was one of those guilty souls who had not acknowledged your letter. I do want you to know that I appreciate your kindness very very much.

Again thanking you and Assuring you that I did not knowingly show such a discourtesy to a brother, I am,

Fraternally yours,

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Varsity Basketball Coach
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