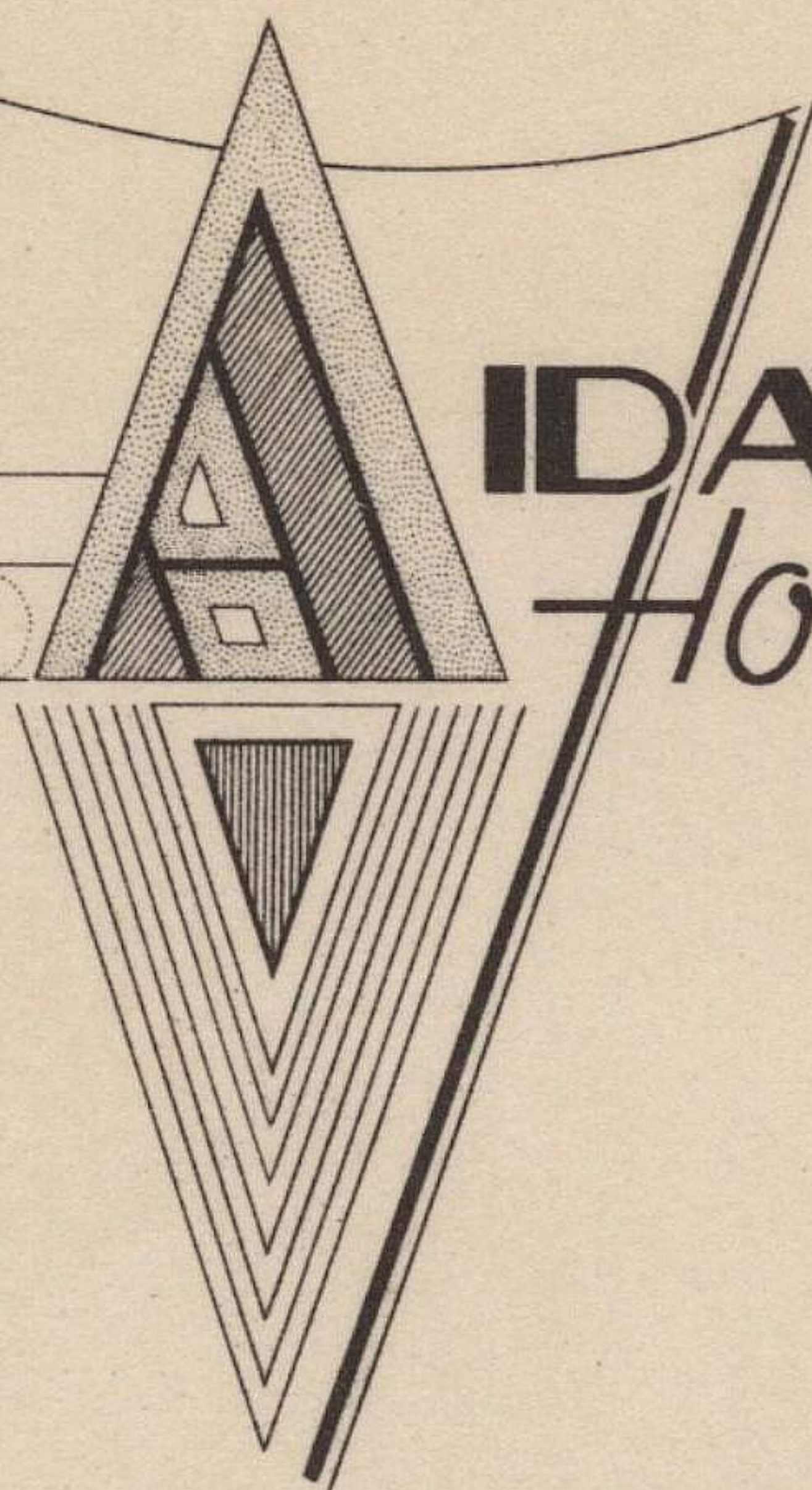


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Mar. 7, 1940

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

Dear Coach Allen;

You are soon going to be making your selection of basketball officials for next year. When you do, please give my record consideration.

The schools for whom I worked this year and the number of games for each, are as follow -

Arkansas U	8	Okla. Baptist	3
Oklahoma U	4	N.E. State	5
Missouri U	1	N.W. State	3
Kansas State	1	Okla. City U	2
Texas U	2	Denver Nuggets	2 (A.A.U.)
S.M.U.	2	Okla. City	2 "
Phillips "66"	4 (A.A.U.)	Kansas City	1 "
Pittsburg K.	2	St. Louis	1 "
Central State	4	East Central	2

This does not include a representative high school schedule, and the All-College tournament at Tulsa.

I will consider it an honor to be placed on your approved list for assignment by your conference commissioner.

With kindest regards, I am

The Allen:

*An N.C.A.A. commissioner for
this district and in view of my
record and experience may urge your
consideration of my application as referee of some tournament or play-off
game.*

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Sincerely,

Carl Sears

Carl Sears
Adams Hotel

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March 8, 1940.

Mr. John F. Moore,
Fencing Coach,
St. John's Military School,
Salina, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Moore:

I have received your letter of February 9th, and wish to say that we will be very happy to meet your foil team in a match here on April 26th.

Sincerely yours,

James H. Raport,
Instructor in Physical Education.



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February 9, 1940

Fencing Coach
Kansas University
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

Would you be interested in
a three-man-team foil match
on your grounds April 26?

If you have a Freshman team,
we should prefer to meet it,
of course, otherwise we shall
meet whomever you produce
(our men are all in high school).

Yours very truly,

John F. Moore

John F. Moore
Fencing Coach

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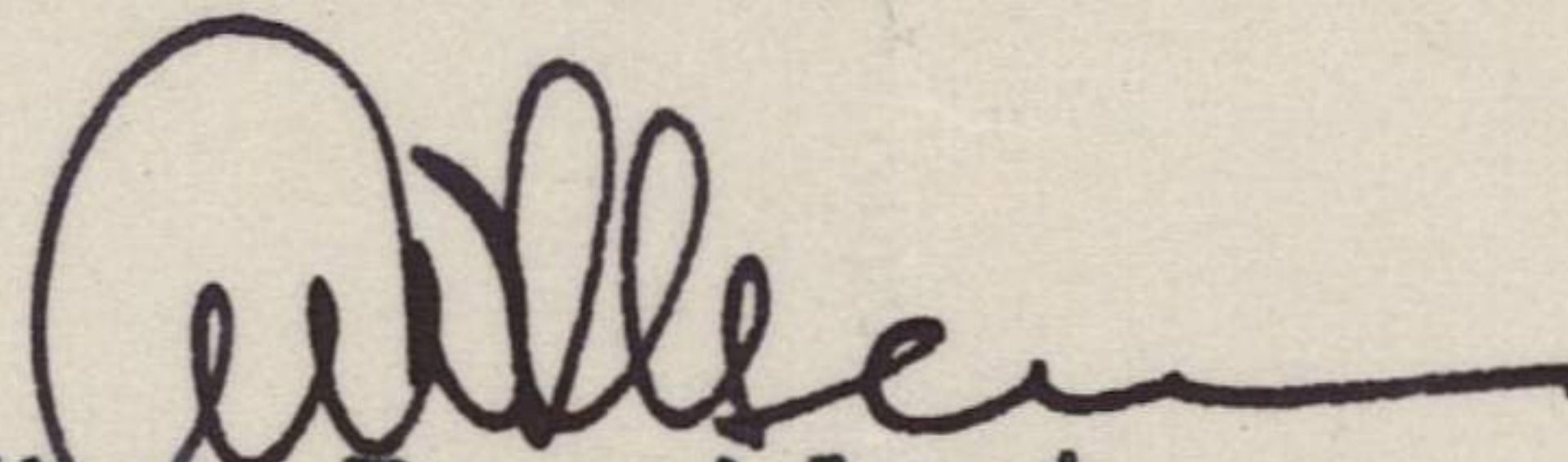
March 11, 1940

Mr. Forrest C. Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Mr. Allen:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 8. We assure you of our fullest cooperation.

Sincerely yours,


Vice President

AWO:T

March 11, 1940.

Mr. Raymond Swanson,
Lansing High School,
Lansing, Kansas.

Dear Raymond:

I am sorry for the delay in replying to your kind letter of the 22nd ultimo, but in the meantime I was very glad to fill out a recommendation form for you which came from the Kansas Teachers agency.

Yes, indeed, I hope you will feel perfectly free to use my name as a reference. It will be a pleasure for me to do anything that I can for you.

I am glad to know that your work has been interesting and successful this year.

With best wishes for your continued success,
I am

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

Lansing, Kansas
Feb. 22, 1940

Dear Dr. Allen:

I thought I would get back to K. U. long before this but I have been very busy all year. I like my work fine.

My basketball season was good. Right now we are going to try and do something about the District Tournament.

I am looking around for a larger place next year. I am hoping you will let me use your name as a reference. You have been very nice to me in the past and I certainly appreciate it very much.

I will have no trouble in getting back here next year but I would like to find a larger school.

I hope it will be alright with you if I use your name as a reference. I wish to thank you again.

yours very truly,
Raymond Swanson



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March 13, 1940

Dr. Allen and K. U. Basketball Team -

Heartiest Congratulations on that splendid
Victory last night! Now for the Oklahoma oggies!
We're pulling for you strong!

The very best of luck!

Henry Sherk
'28

ABCS

Dear Dr. Allen,

Congratulations on
beating Oklahoma U.
tonite. I knew you
could do it! If there
were only an Olympics,
our team would be there
this summer.

And thank you, also,
for writing to Mrs.
Henry J. Allen. She is a
patroness of Delta Gamma,
my sorority, and has
been most kind to me.
As yet I haven't met
Justice Allen, but I hope to, soon.

Sincerely yours,
Betty Shachan

Lawrence, Kansas
March 14, 1940

Mr. A. A. Schabinger,
Basketball Educational Bureau,
209 South State Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Schabie:

I greatly appreciate your kind
reply to our letter in regard to the last-bilt
ball that had gone dead. I also appreciate very
much your generosity in sending the new ball.
Thank you very much.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

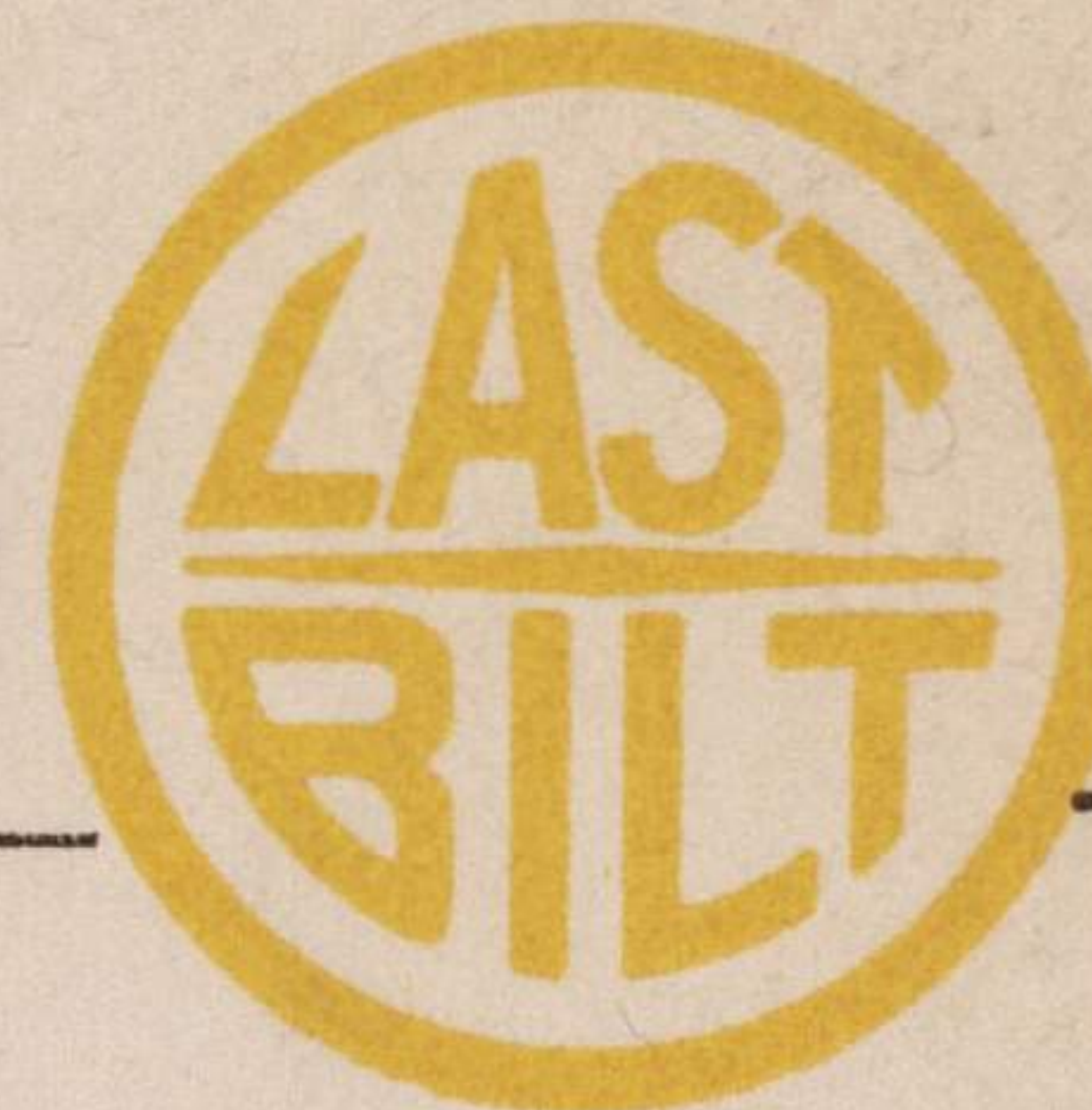
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March 5, 1940.

Dr. F. C. Allen,
Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kans.

Dear Phog:

Yesterday, I received the Last-Bilt basketball,
which is not holding air.

From a preliminary examination it appears as
though it had struck some sharp object, such as
a nail. This could happen. Then, too, it is
possible that the airplane cloth from which the
carcass of the ball is made, could have had a
flaw in it.

It is being forwarded to the factory for further
study.

Under separate cover, I am mailing a Last-Bilt
ball for your use. Please use this as you wish.

Sincerely yours,

A. A. Schabinger
A. A. Schabinger

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LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

PRESS RELATIONS BUREAU

6525 Sheridan Road

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

March 22, 1940

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

Dear Dr. Allen,

I have a note from Coach Len Sachs to drop you a line saying that he will attend the convention. Please pardon our seeming oversight in not notifying you before this late date, but both Len and I have been very busy on the National Catholic Basketball Tournament which opens here at Loyola next Wednesday evening.

On the matter of rule changes, Len believes firmly that the technical foul penalty, wherein the team awarded the free throw is also given possession of the ball, seems unfair to the offending team, and he is of the opinion that this rule should be modified. As a matter of fact, he tells me in his note to emphasize this point; I believe it sufficient to mention the rule and his requested emphasize.

He also mentioned that you wanted the record of his tenure here at Loyola. I trust the following is satisfactory.

Since the season of 1923-24, Loyola's teams under Lennie have won 193 and lost 115 for a .6254 average, scoring 9119 points to the opponent's 7682. His team of 1928-29 was undefeated in 16 games, while the 1938-39 squad went through its twenty game schedule without a loss, losing only to Long Island in the finals of the Metropolitan Writer's Invitational Tournament in New York City for a final record of 21-1.

From 1927-28 until 1929-30, the Loyola team was undefeated in 33 consecutive games, setting what was then a modern world's record in intercollegiate competition. The Chicago Catholic Championship series, begun in 1936-37 with De Paul university, has resulted in Loyola winning the first three years to retire the first cup placed in competition. De Paul broke the ice this season 21-15.

Players of national reputation developed by Sachs include: Joe Wibry, 1927 All-Western guard; Jim Bremner and Tony Lawless, 1928 All-Western forwards; Charlie "Feed" Murphy, 1929 and 1930 All-American center; Marv Colen, 1937 All-American guard; and Wibs Kautz and Mike Novak, All-American guard and center respectively in 1938 and 1939.

Len's teams have been famous in collegiate circles ever since his start at Loyola. He is one of the first to use a zone defense extensively, but in addition the Ramblers gained fame as a team able to switch to a man-to-man at any point of a game without an apparent case of stage-fright. Opponents never know which kind of a defense they will encounter in Loyola, and one is as good as the other.

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Dr. Allen - 2

Until the rule change necessitated a different style of play, Loyola had great success with a man on the free throw line, but the Ramblers used this pivot player more as a feeder and "natural" blocker than as a scorer, as was the case in many other schools throughout the country.

Len attended Carl Schurz High School, graduating in 1914 after winning eleven monograms and captaining the football, basketball, swimming, and track teams, in addition to being the class president. He did not enter college immediately, but played professional basketball with the Illinois Athletic Club squad, which won the national championship. During the war he joined the navy, playing football on the Cleveland Naval Reserve team. In football he also starred as end on the Chicago Cardinals. In basketball he was one of the leaders in the now defunct Knights of Columbus League in Chicago.

In 1919 he entered the American College of Physical Education, graduating in 1923. While still at the ACPE he coached the Wendell Phillips lightweight basketball squad to a public school title, and in 1921-22 did the same at Marshall High School. On his graduation he came to Loyola, coaching the Academy football and track squads, assisting Rog Kiley with the university football team, and coaching varsity basketball.

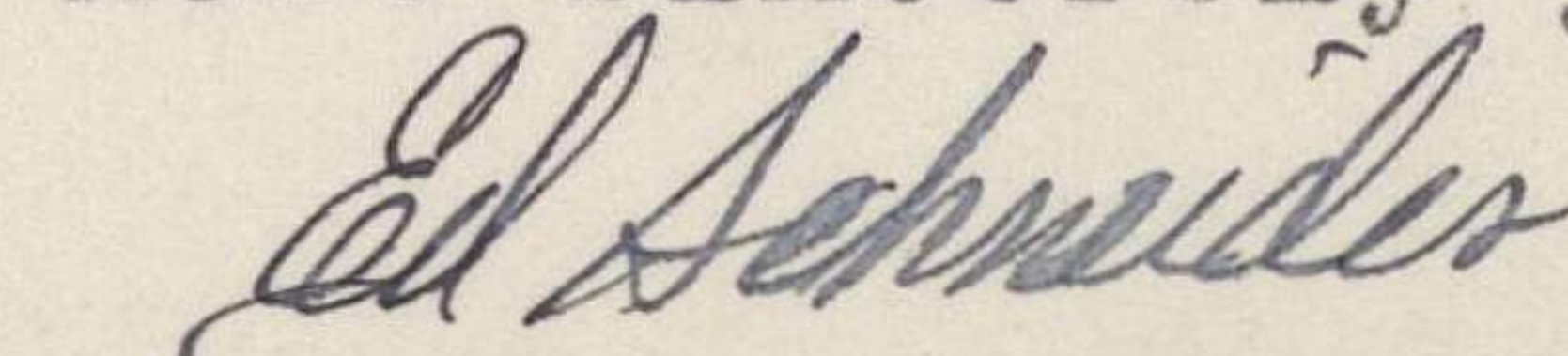
His 1925 Academy gridgers took second in the league race after the 1923 and 1924 teams won the title. Other football championships came in 1927, 1930, and 1933. In basketball at the Academy (which he also coached in addition to the university team), his squads won the League title for two years. His track teams won in 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, and 1935.

Len is married and has one child, Anita Rose who is eight years old. By attending night school he was graduated in 1935 with a Bachelor of Philosophy degree in 1935. He is an honorary member of both the Monogram Club and of the Blue Key Fraternity. Lives in Chicago, and sells insurance during the off season. Was made director of athletics of Loyola university in 1938.

I trust, Dr. Allen, this information will be complete. Not knowing how it is to be used, I could only give the bare facts.

With kindest regards from both Len and myself, and trusting last season's game between Kansas and Loyola will be the start of a long and successful series, I am,

Most sincerely yours,



Edward W. Schneider,
Director athletic publicity.

March 26, 1940.

Mr. Tom Scott,
Basketball Coach,
Central Missouri State Teachers College,
Warrensburg, Missouri.

Dear Tom:

In answer to your letter regarding the material which Mr. Uhrlaub is collecting for his theses, I might say that I called the dean of the Graduate School this morning and he informed me that there is a standing rule to the effect that material which will be submitted for theses may only be reported on by the individual in question until the material is formally accepted.

I am sure you will understand that we are perfectly willing to cooperate wherever it is possible to do so, but it seems as though there would be some chance of putting Mr. Uhrlaub "on the spot", so to speak.

Hoping to see you at the convention, I am

Sincerely yours,

E. R. Elbel,
Assoc. Professor, Physical Education.

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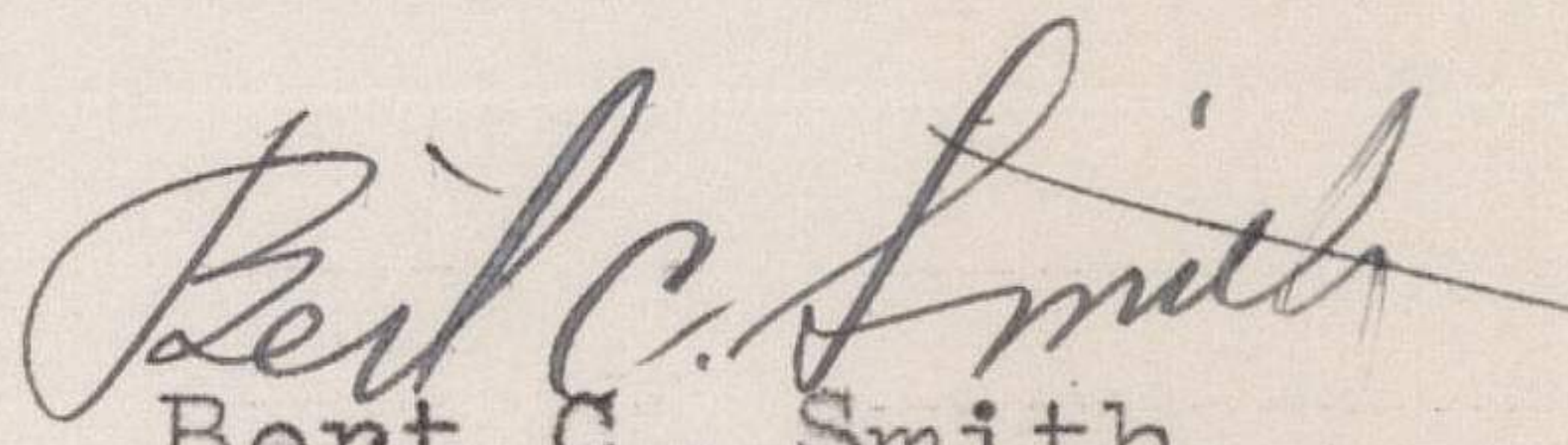
LONG BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA
March 26, 1940

Mr. "Phog" Allen
Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear "Phog":

I was delighted to hear of your success in downing the mighty Trojans. Out here they are considered unbeatable, and it surely was a feather in your cap to turn them back. I was so happy to get the results of this game that I felt that I should like to congratulate you and your team on your fine showing.

Sincerely yours,


Bert C. Smith
Head of Department
Physical Education

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Gary, Indiana
March 26

[1940]

Dear Coach Allen,

This is sort of silly
my writing you a letter
but I've always done things
that I felt like doing whether
others thought were silly
or not.

I am an applicant
for your basketball team.
We being from Columbus,
Kansas, I naturally would
be. I always have been
for the Jayhawk team
for you. I played with
Parsons Jr. College in 35"
36". We won the state
championship in 35". I was
all S. E. H. center in 33"
at Columbus. I have seen
Ralph Miller play several

times & my little brother
played against him. I
started to O. Tang V.
to school my 3rd year
but quit because of a raw
deal I got.

I have played up here
for 3 years now. In his
year my team & I won the
Indiana State championship
in the A. A. V. & they went
to Denver but I was unable
to go as I had to work - I
am married now, ha!

I have seen Indiana
University play once this
year when they played
Northwestern, and they looked
bad. If they play like
that against you folks
you should win easily.
So only seeing them this

one time I couldn't say
much about them definitely.
But they looked to me like
long shot artists that were
off. Anyway around here
that's the way they play.
No team work - rush down
the floor and shoot & that's
the way Indiana played
it looked to me. This Bill
Menke, looked the best to
me by far. He is a tall fellow
about 6'3" & good on rebounds
& shoots a lot of off balance
shots if he is near the
basket. He hasn't much weight
though. Northwestern was
pretty rough with their
Coach, ever since I

have been working up
here I have been arguing
about Kansas & Indiana
basketball. They tell me
how Ind plays better basket-
ball than any other part
of the country. I heard
Chuck Taylor, one of their
own boys, say these N.S.
teams around here don't
play like they do in Kan.
but still they don't believe it.
So it was a natural when
your team & Ind. should
play in the Natl. finals
Sat. All the fellows I work
with are after me to bet
& Coach, although I rarely
bet. I am taking all that
want to bet me - of course
only a dollar apiece but
you should see the numbers

that I am letting. I know
you have had lots better
teams than this years
team but I've got a hunch
you'll take these Hoosiers.
If you do I'll be as happy
as you will coach. I don't
see why you can't either.
If you don't I won't be
able to face the "gang" but
I'm as sure as I'm sitting
here that Kansas can
beat Indiana any day
and that the Big Ten
is not as tough as these
"chumps" around here think
it is.

Lots of Good Luck!
Jim Sutherland

Lawrence, Kans.
March 26, 1940

Mr. Cy Sherman,
Sports Desk,
The Lincoln Star,
Lincoln, Mo. |

Dear Cy:

Thank you very much for your tear sheet
from the Lincoln Star of Monday, March 25. Your
thought of us is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Manager, N.C.A.A. Basketball Tournament

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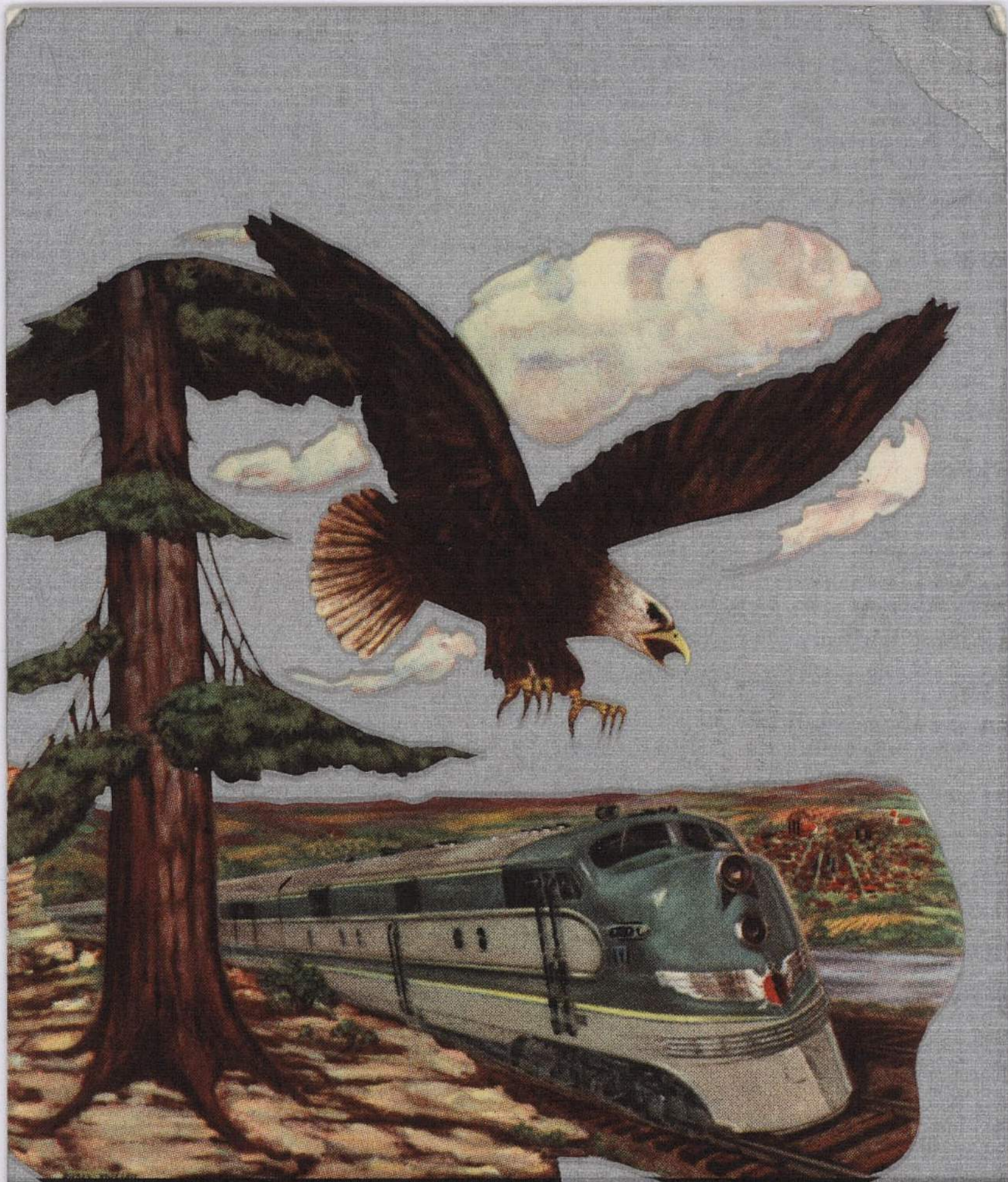
on business. Just read the enclosed in the Ft Worth paper. - I think it is one

of the most accurate descriptions of you I have ever seen.

of you certainly lived up to your reputation the last couple of days -

Good luck this week and. I know if I will get home by then not doubt -

As always your friend
Sam L. Dewey.



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Lawrence, Kansas
March 28, 1940

Mr. K. A. Spencer,
The Pittsburg & Midway Coal Mining Co.,
Pittsburg, Kans.

Dear Kenneth:

Thank you for your note of the 26th instant. I assure you it was a pleasure for us to do what we could in the way of box seats. I am glad you enjoyed the game and both Bob and I appreciate your kind words.

Sincerely yours,

Manager, N.C.A.A. Basketball Tournament

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

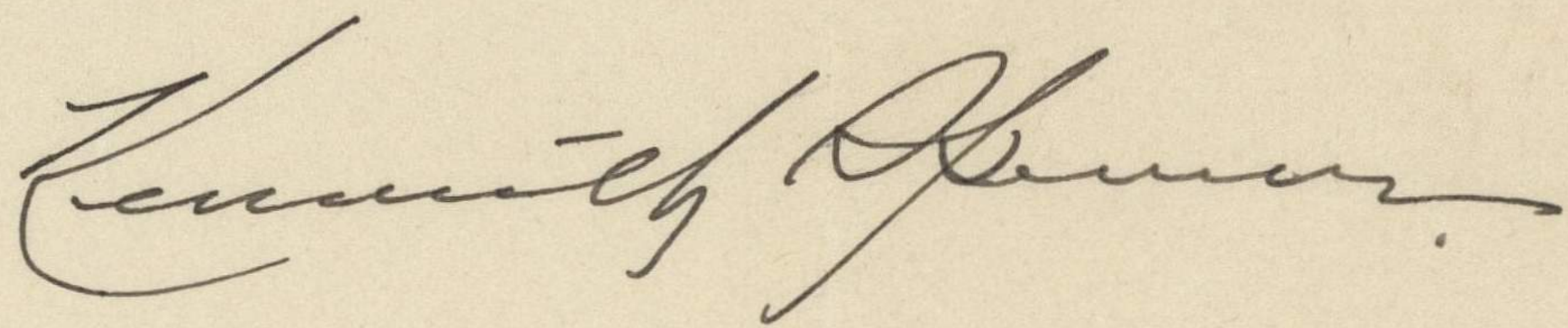
Dear Phog:

I want to thank you for the four splendid box seats which you held for my father and mother, Helen and me and I hasten to assure you that we appreciate being remembered this way.

We were delighted to see your splendid gang of Jayhawkers take California for a trimming. We were particularly pleased to see Bob crash through at the critical moment. It was a swell game and we will be pulling for you again next Saturday night.

With best personal regards to you and your family and again thanking you for these four tickets, I am

Sincerely,



KAS:OM

20-14-d.

July 6, 1940.

Mr. Henry Shenk,
1023 Clymer Place,
Madison, Wisconsin.

Dear Henry:

Your letter of the 3rd instant received regarding the resignation of Mike Getto as freshman coach. Frankly, Henry, I do not believe that they will hire an additional freshman coach. I believe they will ask Bill Hargiss to take over the freshman work.

They are in such straitened circumstances financially that they will consider this a God-send. I know that this has been in the cards for quite some time. If I was in position to talk with you I could say things that I would not write because I might be misunderstood. This refers to the financial situation. The football income does not look too promising for next year, and this is what I was going to talk about.

Frankly, I would not advise you to be interested in the job. I believe something will open up for you very shortly here along the line that we discussed. Then after you get here a year or two you will find that something may open up for you if you are interested, but right now I would not advise it.

I note that you have five weeks more at Madison, and then you will be back in Kansas. I have a week at the University of Texas at Austin from August 12 to 17, and then the next week I am to be in Topeka at the coaching school. Perhaps we can see each other upon your return, and I could discuss this very frankly with you then. The delay occasioned by this will not work any hardships in any way, I assure you.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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1023 Clymer Place
Madison, Wisconsin
July 3, 1940

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

I have just read in the local paper of the resignation of Mike Getto as freshman coach. I have written to Mr. Henry and suggested that I might be interested in the position, but since I am so far away from Kansas, I would like a little "off the record" information and advice and feel that you are the only one in a position to give it to me. Of course, any information you should care to give me I will regard as strictly confidential.

First, do you think I would be wise to go after the job? Is there any future in it or may the next freshman coach find himself in the same position as Ralph Conger after a year or two?

Second, do you think there would be an opportunity of combining freshman coaching with teaching in the men's physical education department? My thought is that, financially, this might be a mutually profitable setup for the athletic and physical education departments and at the same time, offer a fair remuneration to me. If I am not mistaken, this is the setup at Missouri.

We have five more weeks here at Madison, after which, we'll be back in Kansas and I'll have completed work for the Master's degree.

Very sincerely,

Henry Sherk