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Mr. Gail Shikles,
6230 Clinton Street,
Hollywood, California.

Dear Gail:

It was mighty fine of you to write me as you did. I hear from your Dad and see your brother occasionally. It is always good to hear from any member of the Shikles family.

I am happy to know that you are getting along well. Making good in the movie business is like making good in anything else. Naturally you have to spend long hours of toil and concentration to get to the top, because every field is crowded with accomplished individuals.

Gail, we had a very inauspicious start in basketball, and frankly I thought that third place would be the very best we could do. It was very difficult to pick out a team in the early part of the season. Don Ebling came through like a house afire. He improved with each game. Of course, Dick Harp was always a swell player, but I had Swede Johnson in his place at the start of the season. Dick proved to be the better of the two.

We had some disappointments and some heartaches, but the way the boys came through to finish in a blaze of glory was enough to make anybody happy.

Gail, thank you for your good letter, and here's wishing you lots of good luck.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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