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*Temple University  
team averages  
6' 5" & is  
a 40 minute team*

Dear Fog:

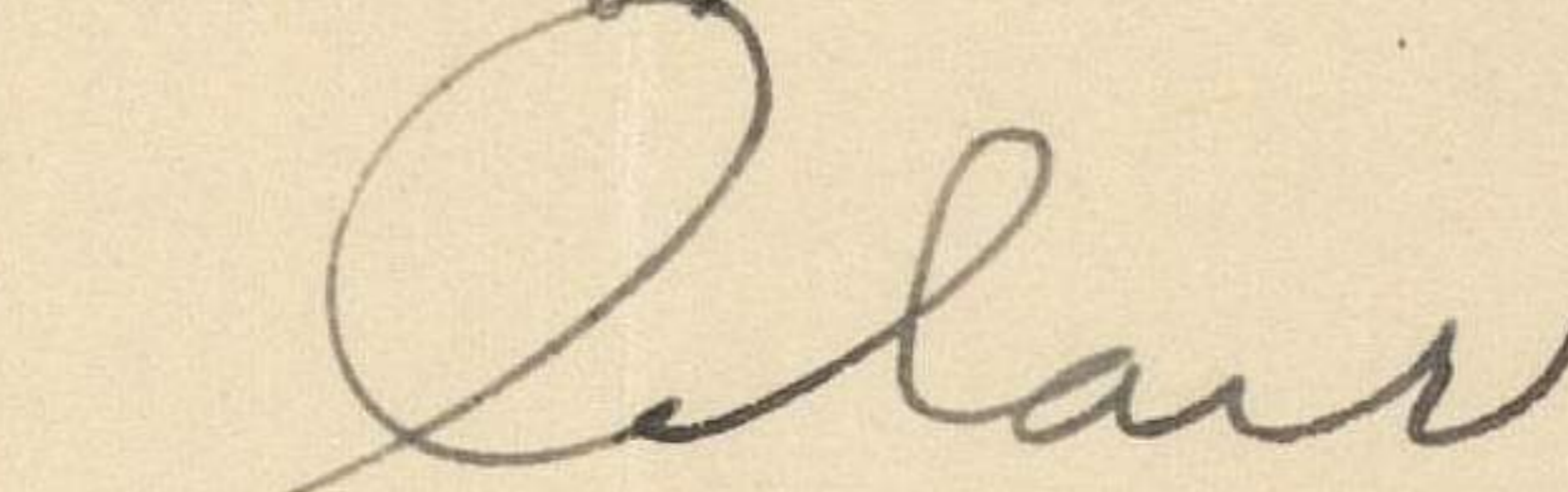
In reply to your letter of March 3rd, the big boy we have in school here from Oil City is Richard Ahrens. He is 6'10" in height and weighs 190 pounds.

This boy has little or no coordination and it is doubtful if he will ever be of any value as a basketball player. However, apropos on your suggestion of several years ago with respect to the elevation of the basket, he is able to knock out set shots. In my mind this is substantial evidence of the point you raised with respect to the basket elevation.

I certainly agree with you that the elimination of the center jump has had nothing whatever to do with the elimination of the tall players. Every team in the country is giving consideration to tall players. I quite agree that before the 4:06 is made there will be a six-seven upon whom no one will be able to score.

Good luck. Let's get the center jump back if possible and if its necessary let's elevate the basket.

Sincerely,



Clair F. Bee  
Director of Athletics

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INTERCOLLEGIATE ELIGIBILITY RULES

Each student must maintain satisfactory academic standing in order to be eligible to participate in athletics.  
No student may represent the University in a major sport until he has attained sophomore standing.  
Students who transfer from other colleges or universities must complete one year of college work at Long Island University before they may participate in major sports.