SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE
W. W. PARKER, PRESIDENT
CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI

November
13
1941

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

In compliance with your request under date of November 10, we are sending you under separate cover the basketball easel poster. It carries last year's schedule. They are supplied to us by the Missourian Printing & Stationery Company, of Cape Girardeau. I believe we quoted prices to you last year, but I imagine there has been a price increase.

Very truly yours,

W. W. PARKER
President

WWP:BC

November 10, 1941.

President W. W. Parker,
Southeast Missouri State Teachers College,
Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

Dear W. W.:

I am very sorry to trouble you again about the basketball poster (easel) about which we wrote last spring. I have had three secretaries during the past year, and in the shuffle of things we are unable to find this poster. I distinctly remember asking my secretary to put this where we could locate it, but she is married and has moved away so we are unable to ask her to find it.

I have the two programs that you sent me, and your letter quoting prices, but I am unable to locate the poster easel bearing your schedule. If it is not too much trouble for you I would greatly appreciate your sending me another of these posters.

With best wishes to you and your good family, I am

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
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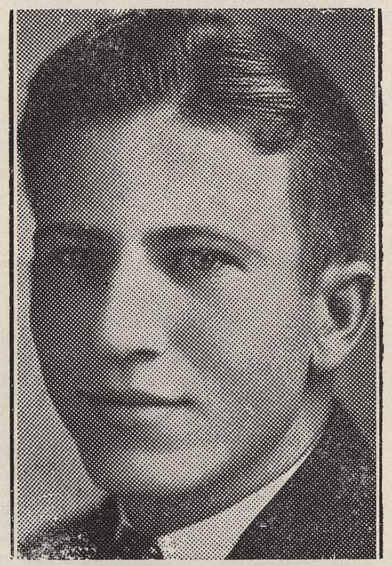

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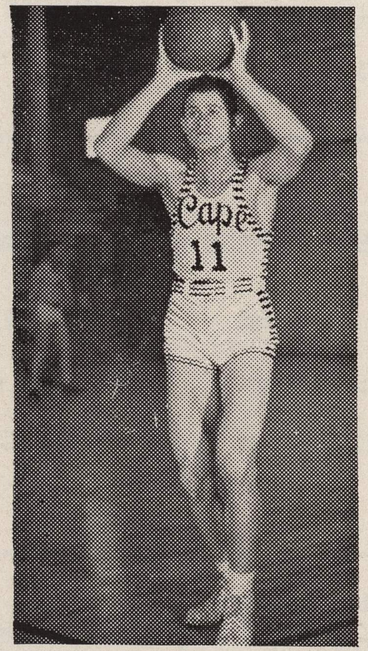

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35	Carrol Gunnett, guard	5′10 ″	160	Sophomore	Leadwood, Mo.
25	Lloyd Brewen, center	6′ 4 ″	155	Senior	Flat River, Mo.
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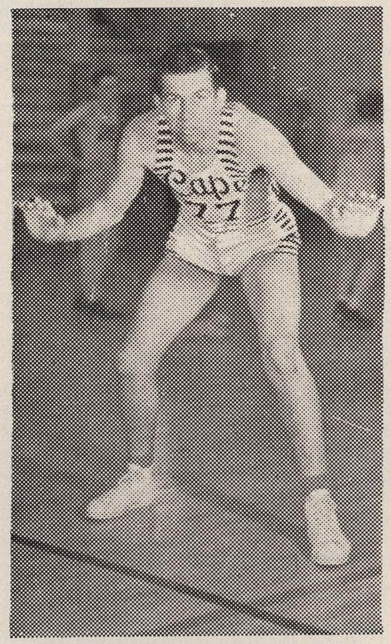

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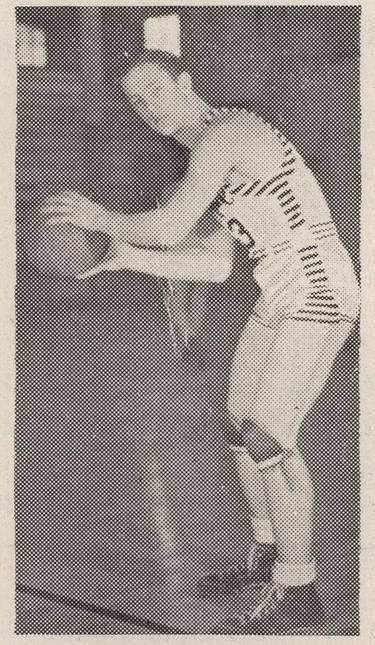

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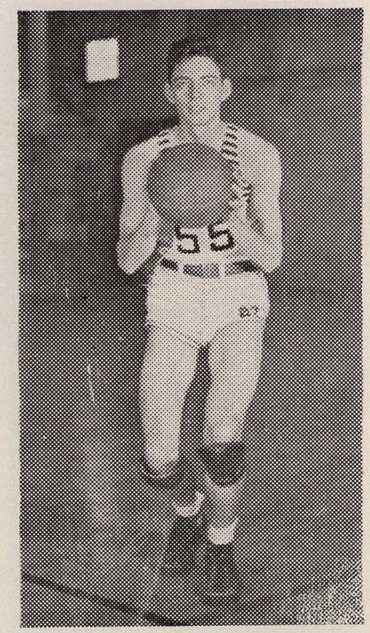

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April 14, 1941

Mr. W. W. Parker
President, State Teachers College
Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Dear W.W.:

I have been staying here during Easter vacation catching up on my correspondence. Your good letter of February 27 was scanned over by me just a few moments ago.

I recalled "way back when" that I saw a Phi Beta Kappa key dangling from your watch fob, or maybe it was some other scholastic honor token. However, I just wanted to write and tell you that Bob was fortunate in being selected to Phi Beta Kappa this past year. I knew that you would be proud of the youngster who is able to carry on his athletics and still make good grades.

No, I did not see Bill, your youngster, when we played in Columbia, or if I did, I did not remember him in the excitement. You tell Bill when we come to Columbia next year to be sure to come around and say hello.

With all good wishes to the Parker family, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach

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SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE
W. W. PARKER, PRESIDENT
CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI

February
27
1941

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

Dear Phog:

I was glad to get your second letter of February 20 and to know that you received the basketball programs which I sent you and that you are pleased with them. We have here in Cape Girardeau one of the best printing establishments in the country, the Southeast Missourian. The Company retains its own artists and has its own engraving plant. For the easel bearing the schedule the cost for 500 plus 50 envelopes was $27.50. For either the rectangular or the basketball shaped programs 1500 for each of two games cost $65.00, $32.50 per game.

I am wondering if you saw Bill, our youngest, in Columbia a few nights ago when your team played there. He is there in the School of Journalism.

A "way back when" gab fest would really be good. Mrs. Parker joins me in the very best of good wishes to you and Mrs. Allen.

Sincerely yours,

W. W. Parker

W. W. PARKER
President

WWP:BC

February 20, 1941

Dr. W.W. Parker
President
Southeast Missouri State Teachers College
Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Dear Chief:

Now you remember, do you not, that I have not forgotten your baseball proclivity extraordirary. You bet I remember that old fighting cager and how he could pull those doubles, or triples or maybe homers. Gee, those were swell days, W.W., and I will never forget them.

I am hoping that we live long enough so that the Oaks; that is, the old-timers, both the Parkers and the Allens, can get together. The little acorns might have difficulty in a gab fest but certainly not the oldsters. We are still looking forward expectantly when the four of us, the two Mrs.'s and the old men, can get together and chew the fat, recalling "way back when--".

I want to thank you for sending me the easel carrying your home schedule. I think it is swell. I also like your basketball programs; especially the outside cover; in fact, there is nothing but class regarding the whole thing.

I would appreciate it if you would tell me where you had your printing done and where you had the cut made, or did some printing house do the whole job for you? Further than that, I would appreciate it very much if you would give me the prices on your rectangular program as well as the cut-outs with the basketball cut and all. I think it is a swell get-up and I will thank you for the full information.

With all good wishes to you and yours, and thanking you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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February
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Department of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear "Phog":

I was glad to hear again from the best basketball coach in captivity. Under separate cover we are sending you a packet of printed material relative to basketball in the kingdom of Southeast Missouri. I thought you would be interested in the easel carrying the home schedule.

I meant to write you some time ago when I noticed the article in the "Saturday Evening Post" about you. I was interested to note how the son is starring on your team. Extend to him my heartiest congratulations. I imagine he is a chip off the old Allen block. I note that your team is leading the pack again this season. It seems to me that that would grow monotonous. I noticed an item on the sport page a few days ago to the effect that you are to coach baseball this spring. When the sun shines warm and the Kansas winds are reduced to spring zephyrs, I should like to be with you for a few days so that we could demonstrate to those boys how this baseball trick is turned. You may not remember that I am an old-time insider when it comes to baseball.

Mrs. Parker joins me in the very best of good wishes to you and Mrs. Allen and the rest of the family. With every good wish, I am,

Most cordially yours,

W. W. Parker

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President

WWP:BC

December 24, 1941.

Mr. Gwinn Henry,
Director of Athletics,
University of Kansas.

Dear Gwinn:

I am sending you a copy of a letter from Marvin Sollenberger regarding a bill of $8.00 that Marvin Sollenberger paid to Dr. R. O. Shook, of Hutchinson, Kansas, for services rendered him regarding a knee injury that he sustained the day before Thanksgiving vacation. He got the injury in a scrimmage in Robinson Gymnasium in basketball practice. I am o.k.ing his bill and recommending that it be paid by the Athletic Association.

I am also enclosing the receipt that Sollenberger obtained from Dr. Shook, and I am also sending a copy of the letter that Dean Nesmith, the trainer, wrote me stating that he had o.k.'d Marvin Sollenberger seeing his physician and receiving treatment.

When I think of the many treatments that I gave to Harold Grant, who was a star on your College of Emporia team, when he came to Lawrence repeatedly for knee and leg injuries, and also when you sent Wayne Replogle a great number of times to Lawrence and I treated both of the boys without compensation, and later when you sent Clark and Flamank from the University of Missouri over to Lawrence for me to treat them - I was rather amazed to see why this type of bill should be turned down.

For your information I wish to say that Marvin Sollenberger is an honor student in the School of Engineering. He is a boy who has worked hard and he has never put us to any expense at all, although he did suffer with glandular fever on the last trip that we made with the basketball team up to Nebraska and Ames and was in bed nearly six weeks, and then this August he suffered an appendectomy. In the face of all these difficulties he came out for the varsity basketball team and has never asked any odds or favors of anybody.

I had gone to Knoxville, Iowa, to speak at an athletic banquet there given by the senior class the day before Thanksgiving vacation. I left the squad in charge of Milton Allen, who told me that Sollenberger wrenched his knee badly and Dean Nesmith did all that he could for him. Since this was just before Thanksgiving he went home to visit his folks and naturally while he was there visited his physician.

It is quite embarrassing to have a bill of this kind turned down, especially when it appears to me that at times there are thousands of dollars spent for the sake of policy where in this case it was for pro-

fessional services to a student who was injured while playing on a varsity team.

I have endeavored to be as economical as possible by saving every penny that it was possible to save in the expenditures for basketball. At the present time I am paying out of my own pocket my own son, Milton Allen, to coach the freshman basketball team because there is a rule against paying a member of the family of the head of a department. Although he has a family of his own to support, it is the interpretation of the rule that prevents him from receiving money for his services from the Athletic Association. He reports every night for freshman basketball practice. I do not know how long he can continue further in this work because his duties as president of the senior class and a member of the Student Council are taking additional hours from his time. It may be that I will have to procure someone else later in the year, as he is considering joining the F.B.I.

Referring again to Marvin Sollenberger's bill, I am of the opinion that if we had a Christian Scientist on the team and that boy had been an exemplary student and athlete, and if he believed that a Reader could cure him of his ills and if, in his opinion, he was cured by such treatment, I think it would be perfectly just and proper to recognize the therapeutic value that this chap received and it would be up to us to understand the legitimacy of such a bill. Sometimes we can be so provincial, so straight-laced, and adhere to red tape so stringently that we fail to see the other fellow's viewpoint. Certainly a boy should not be penalized when he has no knowledge of red tape rules and goes to physician for aid and receives benefit, pays the bill, and expects the Athletic Association to take reasonable and just care of him.

For that reason, I am asking that this bill be approved, and if it is not I will pay the bill myself because I am thoroughly convinced that Marvin Sollenberger is entitled to just consideration.

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December 22, 1941
Lawrence, Kansas

Dr. F. C. Allen
Director of Physical Education and Varsity Basketball Coach
Kansas University.

Dear Dr. Allen:

A few weeks ago I presented a bill to you through your secretary. I have inquired of Earl Falkenstien as to what action had been taken and a couple of days ago I learned that my bill had been rejected by the University because I had not received advice or medical treatment from the university hospital.

The injury which I received while practicing basketball the afternoon of January 23 is not new to me. The cartilage in my knee first slipped when I was a senior in high school. The doctor furnished a doctor who handled any of our athletic injuries. I naturally went to him to save expenses, but in the long run I assure you there was no saving. This particular doctor was a medical doctor and he treated my knee for about two weeks by applying diathermy and weights to my leg. At the end of the two weeks I was still moving around only by the aid of crutches. I had heard of the excellent work of Dr. Shook, an osteopath, so I decided to see if he could help me. I remember very plainly when I walked into his office with the aid of crutches and after fifteen minutes treatment I walked out of his office without crutches. Since that time I have never hesitated a minute before going to Dr. Shook when the cartilage in my knee has slipped. I would estimate that the same injury occurred five or six times during the remainder of my senior year and one year of junior college ball. Most of the time I had to wear a brace on my leg, but it was a handicap and not entirely successful.

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Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Marvin Sollenberger

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December 8, 1941.

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Varsity Basketball Coach.

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He was leaving for home the next day, on his vacation. He has had treatments from different doctors and only one seemed to make the proper adjustments to enable him to continue play. He had confidence in this doctor and knew that by taking treatments from him while he was home, that he would be able to play upon returning, which he was.

To me, this seemed to be the practical thing and was o.k.'d by me. Since he is a very valuable man to the team, I consider this the correct decision to make.

Sincerely,

(Signed) Dean Nesmith

Trainer of Athletics.

December 24, 1941.

Justice Hugo T. Wedell,
Kansas Supreme Court,
Topeka, Kansas.

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I am sending you in confidence correspondence regarding an injury to Marvin Sollenberger. He is my regular guard and an honor student in the School of Engineering.

Frankly, I think they will pay this bill. But I am writing some things to Gwinn Henry which can be passed on to Karl Klooz and the members of the Finance Committee. I think it is an outrageous indictment on any system that would not take care of a bill like this without causing a lot of hard feelings as a result of the "buck passing" that seems to go on here constantly.

The Director of Athletics can o.k. any bill up to one hundred dollars for payment, but the reason given for not o.k.ing the bill is that the director is afraid the Finance Committee will turn him down on some of his o.k.'s. Well, you know what I think about a fellow who is afraid of meeting situations.

Please keep this in confidence as I am sure that the matter will be adjudicated.

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With all good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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December 24, 1941.

Mr. Tom Van Cleave, Sr.,
Commerce Building,
Kansas City, Kansas.

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December 24, 1941.

Mr. Marvin Sollenberger,
1920 Ash Street,
Hutchinson, Kansas.

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I trust that you and yours have a very Merry Christmas and we hope we will see you before the New Year.

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December 22, 1941
Lawrence, Kansas

Dr. F. C. Allen
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