HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL SIGNAL CORPS TRAINING CENTER
CAMP CROWDER, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO

February 5, 1943
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Dr. Forrest C. Allen Basketball Coach University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

Sorry to have to bother you at this time but it is necessary that we make a financial settlement for our basketball games of January 16, 1943 played in Kansas City and of January 23, 1943 here at Camp Crowder.

Our accounts are inspected every month and we are facing the February inspection soon and thus the necessity for an immediate settlement.

We would appreciate hearing from you concerning this matter by return mail.

Sincerely yours,

William f. Spiellan, Jr. Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr. 1st Lt., Signal Corps Chief, Athletic Branch

lst. Lieut. Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr., Chief, Athletic Section, Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Lieutenant Erickhans

We have arranged a game with the Rosecrans Field Flyers from the A.F.T.C. base at St. Joseph, Missouri, to play in our double header in Kansas City Municipal Auditorium on January 16th.

Would you rather play the first or second game with Kansas? If it would please you we will be glad to play your team last, if you desire, and the first game with the Flyers.

we have the contract from the Auditorium people and everything is all set. I would appreciate it if you will send any publicity material to Mr. James Nixon, the publicity man at the Municipal Auditorium, and to Mr. C. B. McBride, the sports editor of the Kansas City Star. Will you also send publicity material to Mr. Chuck Elliott, our sports publicity man here at the University of Kansas?

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

Lieut. Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr., Chief, Athletic Branch, Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Lieutenant Krickhan:

We have not received the money from the Municipal Auditorium as yet, but they stated they would pay the officials, deduct the rental, and mail the three copies of the financial report to us. We will give the Rosecrans Field ten per cent of the total take, and after the game expenses are deducted we will mail you your share.

I trust that we will be able to receive this before we start for your place Friday night or Saturday morning. We are leaving for Manhattan today, and if the check arrives in time from Kensas City I will bring your share along with us on the trip.

I thought we had a nice crowd and a nice game. Our boys enjoyed meeting and playing your fellows.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

HEADQUARTERS MIDWESTERN SIGNAL CORPS TRAINING CENTER SPECIAL SERVICE DIVISION ATHLETIC BRANCH

Camp Crowder, Missouri.

January 8, 1943

Dr. Forrest C. Allen Varsity Basketball Coach University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

Received your letter of January 6th concerning the double header in Kansas City Municipal Auditorium January 16, 1943.

I was happy to hear that arrangements have been made with Rosecrans as the other opponent for your Kansas University team and I'm sure it will make a very fine show and should be very interesting.

As to the financial arrangements for this game. As you stated in your letter of October 17, 1942, each team is to pay their own expenses to Kansas City, the auditorium is to take twenty percent of the gross and the remainder to be spit three ways. In other words, a third goes to each of us after the auditorium takes twenty percent off the top.

Publicity on our team is on its way as suggested by you. If there is any thing more I can do to help, please let me know, I am

Sincerely yours,

WM. F. KRICKHAN, JR. lst Lt., Signal Corps Chief, Athletic Branch

P.S. It will be fine with us to play the second game.

lst. Lt. William F. Krickhan, Chief, Athletic Section, Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Lieutement Erickhan:

I am sorry that I have not answered your letter of November 16th sooner. I have been out of town and since I have been back I have not been at my desk long enough to dictate. I am still a little worried about our January 16th game in Kansas City. The Auditorium people do not feel that our game with Camp Crowder in Kansas City will justify them leasing the hall on a percentage basis unless we are able to get another team as a drawing card on that night.

I expect to go into Kensas City Monday and will have a conference with the Auditorium people and will write you. This would not keep us from keeping our date at Camp Crowder if we are not able to play in Kansas City.

You have been very generous regarding the offer to entertain us and transport us from Joplin. We certainly will take advantage of this and I assure you that we have no desire to run up an expense account but merely to make both ends meet. I will communicate again with you as seen as I have more information from Kansas City.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

HEADQUARTERS MIDWESTERN SIGNAL CORPS TRAINING CENTER SPECIAL SERVICE DIVISION ATHLETIC BRANCH

Camp Crowder, Missouri.
November 23, 1942

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

Received Mrs. Hulteen's letter of the 19th acknowledging my letter of the 16th concerning your expenses in bringing your basketball team to Camp Crowder.

I realize keeping expenses at the lowest possible level is one of the greatest problems in athletics today. We can help you considerably by furnishing you and your party transportation to and from camp if you will notify us the time of your arrival. There is the possibility that we can furnish quarters and rations if necessary, that is, if you care to have your boys free to enjoy camp life for a short time.

We can cover your expenses up to two hundred dollars (\$200), anything else we can do to help cut expenses, please notify us and we will do our best to help.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr.

1st Lt., Signal Corps
Chief. Athletic Branch

HEADQUARTERS MIDWESTERN SIGNAL CORPS TRAINING CENTER CAMP CROWDER, MISSOURI

IN REPLY REFER TO

November 16, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Allen:

I received your letter of November 12, and had previously learned that the Fort Leavenworth team had been dissolved as we received several members of their team at Camp Crowder.

In regard to the expense involved in your making the trip to Camp Crowder, our offer was based on the rules of the various conferences in which we have scheduled games.

Out athletic department is run on the same principal as a collegiate athletic association, and we, too, are dependent upon our sports attractions for funds.

I would sincerely appreciate it if you would let me know the amount of your expenses for the trip here.

Sincerely yours,

WM. F. KRICKHAN, JR.,

1st Lt., Signal Corps, Chief, Athletic Branch.

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Mr. Dr F C Allen,

From Lawrence To Camp Crowder Mo &

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lst. Lieut. Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr., Chief, Athletic Branch, Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Lieutenant Krickhan:

Dr. Allen has received your letter of the 16th, which I am acknowledging in his absence. He is at present at Lincoln, Nebraska, attending a Regional Institute of Physical Fitness Programs, and will be back in the office Monday.

We have secured from the railroad company an estimate of fare for the basketball team to Camp Crowder, which with the meals for the members of the party, would amount to nearly \$150.00. In addition, there is always expense for taxi. And I have not included hotel expense in the above amount.

Dr. Allen will write you next week, but I believe you can see that \$125.00 would hardly cover the expenses of the team to Camp Crowder. The team would not be permitted to make the trip, of course, unless all expenses were paid. It was Dr. Allen's notion that the game in Kansas City on January 16th would net sufficient proceeds so that you would have no difficulty in taking care of the expenses of the game at Camp Crowder.

I am sure you may expect to hear from Dr. Allen next week.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary, Department of Physical Education.

October 17, 1942. Lt. Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr., Chief, Athletic Section, Camp Crowder, Missouri. Dear Lieutenant Krickhan: As I promised you in my letter of October 14th, I went to see the Municipal Auditorium people to see what we could do regarding the game in Kansas City. I saw Lou Lower yesterday afternoon and checked over the available open dates at the Auditorium. He has Saturday night, January 16th, open. Lt. Ted J. O'Sullivan, of the Reception Center at Fort Leavenworth, also desires a date with us. He is anxious that his outfit play in Kansas City and states that his team will include many former college players. Now, here is the deal that looks pretty good to me. We do not think we are supermen here at the University of Kansas, but in endeavoring to get an attractive program, one that will draw a crowd and create interest, I thought we might try this deal - that Kansas would play both Camp Crowder and the Reception Center teams, the same night, that of January 16. We would not play the first team against one and the second team against the other, but it will be the first team of Kansas that will play both outfits. Whether you would rather play first or last will perhaps be decided by a draw and not determined until just before the game starts, or maybe the day before. This will lend interest to the attraction, and in addition we will have a double header with Army teams. All the games before that have been played in Municipal Auditorium have been either Navy or Aviation teams. I believe that we could get quite a bit of interest in the game and play it up in such a way that we would draw a fairly sizeable crowd. I would like to have it agreed that both teams could substitute freely, the same as in football, without counting times out. This would give me an opportunity to rest my men and put them back in either game when the opportunity afforded. We would use our stars in both games so that it could not be said that either team met the first or second team from Kansas. I have procured the hall tentatively in our name, and if you are agreeable to this plan, you inform me at your earliest convenience and I will definitely close the date. I believe it will make some money for all of us. Bach outfit would pay their own expenses to Kansas City, and we would divide the net equally three ways - one part to

Camp Crowder, one part to Fort Leavenworth, and one-third to Kansas. The Auditorium takes twenty per cent of the gross. This should net you enough above expenses so that if you want us to play you at Camp Crowder, if it can be arranged, you can with this fund pay our expenses.

Very cordially yours,

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Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach. Lt. Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr., Chief, Athletic Section, Camp Crowder, Misseuri.

Dear Lieutenant Kriokhan:

Your letter of September 16th has lain on my dosk because I have not been able to give you a very satisfactory answer. Ted 0'-Sullivan of the Reception Center at Fort Leavenworth also desires to play us and they are only twenty odd miles from Lawrence. They also want to play in Kansas City.

You remember I sent you a schedule which shows us playing the Gardner, Kansas, Maval Aviation school in the Auditorium in Kansas City on December 5th. We are also playing Rockhurst Cellege on the 11th. In both of these contests they are endeavoring to arrange double headers between ether cellege teams to go along with our attraction.

And them on the 29th and 30th of January we are playing the Iswa City Naval Seahawks, and on the 30th we play the Great Lakes team. So unless we could get a pretty good attraction and a favorable date I am not sure that we would draw sufficiently well to pay expenses.

There is also the problem of getting away from school on any additional dates with our already heavy schedule. Only last week the University stepped up their war schedule and abelished Christmas vacation. This will threw our examination dates on January 12 - 15, instead of January 23 - 28. That puts most of our games in the second semester.

We now have an interim from January 20 - 29 where we might get in a game. We might play on January 22 or 23 if that date is not taken. I am going to Kensas City Friday and will see what dates they have open at the Auditorium.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

ATHLETIC SECTION HEADQUARTERS SCRTC CAMP CROWDER, MISSOURI

September 16, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Allen:

I received your very nice letter, and really appreciate your honesty and spirit of cooperation.

It really seems that at every turn something occurs to sabotage our athletic program, but in these trying times we must make the best of a bad situation.

I have thought a great deal about your problem, and possibly have a solution. If we could play your team in Kansas City, we could draw a crowd sufficiently large to defray your transportation expenses here. As long as you are at the Post we can provide food and quarters for your boys; also, we could guarantee your expenses of transportation and otherwise if they do not amount to more than \$150.00.

We will have a good team, and one which I am sure will give your boys a great deal of trouble. I understand Kansas City is a very good basketball town, and I believe that they would like to see you play an Army team there. As far as we are concerned, our expenses would be all that is necessary, and I don't think that would be a very big item.

If you think that we could arrange a game to be played in Kansas City, preferably on a Saturday night, please let me know. We really would like to play your team and will try everything we know to get this opportunity.

If you can think of any solution other than that I have mentioned, please let me know and also just what you estimate the cost of your trip to Camp Crowder would be.

Sincerely yours,

William f. Kuckhan, Jr.
WM. F. KRICKHAN, JR.,
lst Lt., Signal Corps,
Chief, Athletic Section.

Lieut. Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr., Chicf, Athletic Section, Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Lieutenant Erfokhen:

With the opening of our conditioning program here at the University I have been swamped with details, but within the next week or so I will try to reply to your letter of the 16th ultime regarding a possible basketball date.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

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First Lieut. William F. Krickhan, Jr., Chief, Athletic Section, Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Lieutenant Krickhan:

Since receiving your last letter about scheduling a basketball game with your team, a new bogy-man has appeared on the horizon in the form of tire rationing and the undoubted demise of another football season after this one.

While we want to play you, the financial situation is staring us in the face, and I have talked with the financial secretary of the Athletic Association about the matter. Since we have a complete schedule they do not want to add further financial burdens to their depleted athletic treasury. Football, which brings in much of the money to carry on an athletic program, will be curtailed drastically this year on account of the tire rationing program. Only football teams playing in big cities will make any money. That means practically all the Big Six teams will fair poorly, and as a consequence they will have no extra money, and those that do make any money will want to hold it to carry over next year's skeletal athletic set-up. The athletic plants will still have to be maintained, which is an expensive feature.

Frankly, we want to play your boys but unless you can show me how we could play you without much expense I do not believe the financial powers-that-be here will will approve. Won't you write me frankly, and I will be glad to cooperate with you to the nth degree.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

OFFICE OF THE ATHLETIC OFFICER HEADQUARTERS S.C.R.T.C. CAMP CROWDER MISSOURI

September 7, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Allen:

After looking over your schedule for basketball, I am suggesting the following possibilities for games. The following dates are those upon which you could play here: January 11, 16 and 23rd.

We could play in Kansas on February 20th.

Any date that your team could appear here other than those
I have mentioned will be left to your option. Hoping to
hear from you in the very near future as to the date you
would like to play and the financial arrangements necessary,

Sincerely yours,

WM. F. KRICKHAN, JR.,

1st Lt., Signal Corps,
Chief, Athletic Section.

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Lieut. Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr., Athletic Officer, Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Lieutenant Krickhan:

We, of course, would be very happy indeed to play your Camp Crowder team if it is possible. I am sending you a copy of our basketball schedule, and if there is any way that we can arrange to play you, please indicate the dates and the place that you would prefer to meet us. We will do the very best we can to cooperate with you.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,

Varsity Basketball Coach.

OFFICE OF THE ATHLETIC OFFICER HEADQUARTERS, S.C.R.T.C. CAMP CROWDER, MISSOURI

August 19, 1942

Dr. F. C. Allen, Athletic Director, Kansas University, Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

In planning the athletic program for the Fall and Winter, we are trying to schedule outstanding basket-ball teams in the vicinity of Camp Crowder for games.

Last spring we sponsored a tournament in which many exceptionally fine basketball players participated.

We are very anxious to have our teams compete with the leading teams of the Middlewest, and I feel sure that you, also, would be interested in having several service games on your schedule.

The War Department realizes that the quickest way to condition men in the Service is active participation in sports.

I feel sure that we can count on your cooperation in helping us with our tremendous athletic program.

Sincerely yours,

WM. F. KRICKHAN, JR.

1st Lieut., S. C.,

Athletic Officer.

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Sincerely yours.

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ATHLETIC SECTION MIDWESTERN SIGNAL CORPS REPLACEMENT TRAINING CENTER CAMP CROWDER, MISSOURI

October 19, 1942

Mr. Forrest C. Allen, Varsity Basketball Coach, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:

I received your letter this morning, and may truthfully state that it was a most pleasant surprise. We can now see that the faith put in the universities and colleges of our nation by the War Department was well placed.

Your idea to play both Fort Leavenworth and our team on the same night, although it will be extremely tough for your boys, is a splendid one, and I am sure that both of the Army teams will prove worthy opponents.

I accept your offer with great pleasure because we really want to play your team, and I believe that your proposal to play both teams would be an outstanding attraction.

If you can name a date upon which you could play at Camp Crowder, we would greatly appreciate it. Thanking you again for your cooperation and consideration,

Sincerely yours,

William F. Krieklaw, Jr.

WM. F. KRICKHAN, JR., 1st Lieut., Signal Corps, Chief, Athletic Section.

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P.S. We will send all available information and mats in time for your publicity.

Lieut. Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr., Chief, Athletic Section, Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Lieutenant Krickhans

Thank you for your kind letter of the 19th instant. We have heard from the Fort Leavenworth Reception Center, and while Lieutenant O'Sullivan suggested that we try to arrange for a fourth team, I believe the the uniqueness of Kansas playing both Camp Crowder and Fort Leavenworth the same night will add to the attraction.

I am recommending to our Athletic Board that they approve this arrangement whereby Kansas plays both teams in Kansas City on the night of January 16th. I see no reason why they shouldn't approve it.

Concerning a game at Camp Crowder, there is a question about the time the boys spend away from school. I think it would be inadvisable for us to play you there before January 16th.

O'Sullivan wants to come here on December 1st, and that will take away a good deal of the attractiveness of the game in Kansas City. Our examinations have been moved up, and will be over on the 15th of January. What would you think of us playing there on the 23rd of January, if the Athletic Board approves?

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

SPECIAL SERVICES DIVISION
Athletic Branch
MIDWESTERN SIGNAL CORPS TRAINING CENTER
Camp Crowder, Missouri

November 3, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Allen:

I am sorry that I have not had time to answer your letter of October 24th, but we really appreciate your offer to play here January 23, 1943, and assure you that this date shall remain open until you definitely complete your arrangements. I sincerely hope that your Athletic Board will see fit to allow you to make the trip to Camp Crowder.

Fort Leavenworth should be glad to have the opportunity to play in such an arrangement because I am sure that if his troubles are anything like mine we will not have the full utilization of available man power.

Thanking you again for your kindness and consideration,

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM F. KRICKHAN, JR.,

1st Lieut., Signal Corps,

Chief, Athletic Branch.

WFK:djs

Nevember 5, 1942.

Lieut. Wm. F. Krickhan, Jr., Chief, Athletic Branch, Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Lieutenant Erickhen:

The Athletic Board has given approval for our games with Camp Crowder and Fort Leavenworth in Kansas City on the night of January 16th.

We also have permission to play you at Camp Crowder on January 23 if you will be able to pay our expenses. I think we will make enough money at our game in Kansas City to take care of that, but the financial situation of our Athletic Association is such that we would not make the trip at our own expense. If this is agreeable with you, we will definitely count on playing at Camp Crowder on January 23.

Sincerely yours,

FCA: AH

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach. Camp Crowder, Missouri.

Dear Lieutement Krickhan:

I have received word from Captain Ted O'Sulliman, of the Fort Leavenworth Reception Center, that they have been ordered to cencel their basketball games. This leaves us with only your team to play in Municipal Auditorium on January 16.

I will try to arrange with some one else to play a double header because I believe it will take a double header to draw the crowd.

Regarding our game at Camp Crowder, I am very sure that we can't begin to make the trip for \$125.00. The point that I was making was that you would probably make enough off the Kansas City game to take care of our expenses to Camp Crowder, but we could not even attempt the trip for \$125.00. We, of course, have to pay full fare on the railroad, while the soldiers travel on lesser fare.

I shall be happy to hear from you again.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.

SPECIAL SERVICES DIVISION ATHLETIC BRANCH MIDWESTERN SIGNAL CORPS TRAINING CENTER Camp Crowder, Missouri

November 9, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Allen:

I received your letter and was very pleased to learn that the Athletic Board had given you permission to play us in Kansas City and also at Camp Crowder.

We are looking forward to meeting you both at Kansas City and Camp Crowder, and we will be able to take care of your expenses up to \$125.00 if this arrangement is satisfactory with you. Please let me know as early as possible.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM F. KRICKHAN, JR., 1st Lieut., Signal Corps, Chief, Athletic Branch.

WFK:djs

Mr. James Nixon, Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Jimmy:

Will you kindly reserve four tickets for Lieut. Theodore M. O'Leary for both Friday night and Saturday night? He will call for them at the ticket window, and if he desires any more I trust you will fix him up. He is in charge of all arrangements for entertainment at the games these two nights.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach. Mr. Louis G. Lower, Director, Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Lou:

I am sending you a carbon copy of the letter that I have written Tony Hinkle. You can count on our playing the second game Saturday night, January 30.

By the way, you people promised to send me the financial report of our Kansas triple-header so that we could send one to each of the service teams with our remittance. Baker send but one copy to Earl Falkenstien, and we want two more. Won't you mail two more sheets to me here so that I can handle it as I explained in Kansas City?

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education, Varsity Basketball Coach.