

ALBERT E. KIRK  
PRESIDENT

## Southwestern College

Winfield, Kansas

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Mr. Willis S. Bates has been Director of Athletics at Southwestern College for the past twelve years. He is widely and most favorably known through this central section of the country. As a coach he has been very successful, developing many championship teams in the various major sports and always having well-trained teams that place in the upper bracket of the Conference standing. As a director he is wise, far-visioned and a splendid organizer. His native gifts, training and record all qualify him for a larger field than is possible at Southwestern. We have a real pride in the record he has made and the service he has rendered in these twelve years, yet must not stand in the way of his going on to some larger field for which he is so well fitted.

Very sincerely yours,

*Albert E. Kirk*

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