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May 27, 1988

Ms. Dorothy Storck
Philadelphia Inquirer
400 N. Broad St.
Phila., Pa. 19101

Dear Ms. Storck:

First one brief comment about your column on Wednesday, May 18, ("His name? I never knew") which reminded me a great deal of some poems by E. E. Cummings and a song by the Beatles (Eleanor Rigby). It was excellent.

I am sending along some background material on a very special lady, Eleanor Snell. In many ways she was the founder of women's athletics in this county, a soft-spoken teacher whose influence has spread around the world. In a very short time "Snell's Belles" raised a half million dollars to endow a chair at the College in her honor. She had an amazingly successful record in all sports but this kind of data only obscures the real "story" of this great teacher whose approach to life is flourishing all over this country of ours.

One brief quote and I'm gone...this one from an alumnus, class of '34, who was responding to a survey question about those who influenced her most during her years at the College. "I've never forgotten Miss Snell's attention to and consideration for a player who brought absolutely nothing to the game except enthusiasm, persistence and a dogged determination. I still think of Dr. Snell with respect and appreciation..."

Now, if you would like to meet this charming lady, please give me a call. I think you both would enjoy the experience.

Best Wishes,

Glenn McCurdy

Director of College Communications

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