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Dear Hank:

Thanks for your good letter of July 23. I am going in to Kansas City today to have luncheon with Harry Welsh, the president of the Alumni Association of the University of Missouri. They are still hanging on, wanting Missouri to play with us in that double-header with the Pre-Flight School and Great Lakes.

I tried every way imaginable to get Tony Hinkle to come to Kansas City on the 29th and meet you there while we meet Pre-Flight School and then the next night we would alternate, playing Great Lakes and you play Pre-Flight School - Bernie Bierman's outfit. Hinkle insisted on closing with George Edwards at Columbia on the 29th with his Great Lakes team. That was the thing that blew our party up.

Then Hinkle tried to suggest to me that he thought we would draw a good crowd if we made the same arrangements that I mentioned, in regard to Missouri, instead of Oklahoma A. & M. That is where I balked and that is where we are at the present time. Since we leased the Municipal Auditorium I felt the host school had a right to say something about the arrangements. If Hinkle ever says anything to you about it you can tell him, if you care to, why we would not have the biggest double-header set-up imaginable.

I am explaining to you why it would be impossible for A. & M. to play the Iowa school on January 30, because George Edwards arranged to play them at Columbia, Missouri. They are going there after our game on the 29th. But had Tony Hinkle agreed to the original proposition this would have all been worked out in our favor and in yours. Missouri awakened and found that Kansas was playing in Kansas City while they were playing in Columbia, Missouri. And then they wanted to come in on our party.