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SUBJECT: Oklahoma Aggies-Olathe Clipper Scout Notes

Coach Iba started the following team: Maddox and Yates, forwards; Steinmeir, center; and Herron and Bogert, guards. The Clippers' starting line-up was composed of Lockhart and Conley, forwards; Covert, center; and Lewis and Hahn, guards.

The Aggies' defensive play was consistently aggressive and efficient during the first half. Their offensive play was unusual in that they attempted numerous fast breaks, starting from a long pass out from under the defensive basket to Maddox, cutting diagonally across the center line. Such fast breaks were spearheaded by Maddox down the center of the court, with either Herron or Bogert breaking strongly from one side and Yates from the other. They broke into an early lead and protected it for the entire first half. Their ball-handling was smoother than at the time we met them in Lawrence. However, in the second half, the Clippers started "picking them up" all over the court, which, strangely enough for an Iba coached team, confused them and aggravated mumerous errors in judgement and passing. Such confusion was aggravated by loose officiating which permitted violent bodily contact on the part of the Clippers.

The old Aggie roll, with which you are quite familiar, worked to good advantage against the Clippers, as they were not checking off in front of the free throw circle, and on several occasions permitted Herron to dribble from the pickoff, which was executed about five feet in front of the free throw circle, into the bucket for a layup.

Maddox scored four out of eight shots from twenty-five to thirty feet from the old block play used last year by Eggleston. He is a good set shot but needs time to set his feet before he is dangerous. Hahn played him tight in the second half and held him scoreless.

Yates played a fundamentally poor game, but scored three baskets as a result of his untiring efforts under the bucket. Bogert scored two baskets with his left hand, driving across the free throw line.

The seven-footer, Bob Kurland, played a surprisingly good game defensively. He blocked several drives in shots from under the basket, where Iba seemed content to leave him during his fifteen minutes of play.

Steinmeir played his typically poor game. He made three fouls rather early in the game, and if it hadn't been for Kurland's imporvement, the result would have been disasterous.