

September 20, 1938.

Mr. Karl Klooz, Bursar,  
University of Kansas.

Dear Mr. Klooz:

We are experiencing a little difficulty through the new system of buying in getting the quality we desire in equipment we have purchased for class use.

I refer specifically to hockey sticks and softball bats. Our orders were filled promptly, and according to the specifications we gave, but we did not have opportunity to select the sticks and bats as we have done heretofore. Miss Hoover reports that the hockey sticks we ordered for use this fall are far inferior to any that she has used, and she feels it would be anything but economical to use these cheaper sticks. The softball bats which were sent us were purchased at about one-third of what we expected to pay for good bats. These are cheap bats and doubtless will break easily. We, of course, did not have a chance to pick out the bats, as we have done previously.

Of course, on the Purchase Requests we can give only the estimated cost, and naturally the price determines the quality of the material ordered. When cheap material is sent us we cannot expect to use it as long as equipment of a better quality. I shall be glad to talk this over with you some time. You can see that it will work a hardship on the department if our funds are not spent for equipment of a lasting quality.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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