THE EMPORIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.

Not for self---but for Emporia

EMPORIA, KANSAS November 12, 1943

Mr. Forrest C. Allen, Athletic Director University of Kansas Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Phog:

I knew you when I was secretary of Manhattan Chamber of Commerce. I came here April 1, from Manhattan. We are trying to rebuild a Chamber of Commerce here.

One of the things we are doing is to organize monthly Chamber of Commerce meetings similar to those of Manhattan, with the four service clubs meeting with the Chamber of Commerce.

The November 30, meeting is the Football Dinner for the members of the Emporia High School squad. You know we have no college teams this year.

In looking around for a speaker, our committee unanimously selected your name and requested President Jim Price to contact you.

Jim just called me with the good news that you had agreed to come. The dinner starts at 6:15 at the Broadview Hotel. We will have around 300 or more people, both men and women. We can broadcast at least a part of your remarks, if you so desire over KTSW, Mutual affiliate.

I cannot tell you how much that I personally appreciate the fact that you have consented to come and to do this job for us and I hope that you will get as big a bang out of doing it as we will have doing it.

I wish you would send us a little advanced publicity and single column mat, if you have one available in order that we can give proper publicity to the event as this is the first community recognition of our football team to be held here in a good many years and we want to make it good.

With best personal regards, I am,

Yours very truly, EMPORIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

H. W. Bouck, Manager

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