

GAYLORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

J. E. COLE, Superintendent

WM. BROWN, Grade Principal

GAYLORD, - KANSAS

Dr. F.C. Allen,
Dept. of Physical Education,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

March 23, 1941

*April 15 open
Easter vacation
ends that day
(Tuesday)*

Dear Dr. Allen,

We are planning our annual Little Six Basketball League Banquet to be held here at Gaylord on or about April 15. It is the custom for the league winners to act as the host school and since Gaylord won the league championship it falls our lot to arrange for all particulars incidental to the event.

Last year we had no out-of county speakers but this year it has been suggested to me by several school men and basketball fans that we endeavor to get a speaker who has had a wide experience as a coach of the sport, and all of them have suggested you as the first choice.

I might explain that our league is made up of the following schools; Athol, Kirwin, Kensington, Cedar, Harlan, and Gaylord. These schools are all in Smith county except Kirwin which is in Phillips county. Gaylord is at the south edge of Smith county twelve miles south-west of Smith Center.

Now, Dr. Allen, if you find it possible to be with us at this time will you please advise me of the fact and also please state just what financial remuneration you would have to have for the trip? It will be necessary for us to meet such financial obligation by popular subscription and I would have to do a bit of "feeling out" of our commercial club and other supporters in order to know exactly what we could do from that angle.

Gaylord is located on the Central Branch division of the Missouri Pacific and rail facilities are poor as far as service direct from Lawrence is concerned. If you can come and choose to travel by rail your best route would be via the Rock Island to Smith Center. Some of us would meet you there. If you should choose to drive I might say that it is about 200 miles from here to Topeka which would be too about 240 miles from Lawrence. The route would be U.S.24 until you get seven miles west of Downs then K.9 on over