

April 26, 1940.

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Dear Ernie:

I was happy to have your letter of the 18th instant and I wish to thank you for your many compliments. Wasn't Indiana sizzling hot?

Regarding Dale Covert and Bob Kent, I understand that Covert's mother said that he hasn't received any offer yet that will enable him to go away from home to school. When it is considered that Colorado made him an offer and it isn't enough, I am afraid there isn't much chance of him appearing on the K. U. gridiron or the basketball court. I understand Dale doesn't have any money, and some of his friends and perhaps his mother might be expecting a deed to a house and lot besides his ordinary living expenses.

You know, Ernie, parents sometimes get the idea that because a boy is an athlete somebody should just pick him up bodily and move him from a place where he has to struggle for an education to a place of ease and comfort, both mentally and physically. But you and I know that isn't true.

Now, regarding Bob Kent. I am endeavoring to make arrangements to speak at El Dorado high school and in that case I want to see Dale Covert and Bob Kent and Calvin Miller. Calvin is a great all-around athlete in football, basketball and track, but he is making about \$80 or \$90 a month at Skelly's and he will doubtless go to the junior college there. He is a brother of Jack Miller who played with the Aggies, but I understand that Jack is pretty sore about the Aggie set-up. Wichita U. is also after Calvin. I am told that this boy Miller is the best all-around athlete that has been at El Dorado for quite some time.

Ernie, I am going to speak at Wichita Rotary on Monday, the 29th, and I am trying to make arrangements to speak at Winfield and El Dorado, either on my way in or my way out. If I