

January 24, 1941

Mr. R.H. Wason
416 S. Leonard
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Mr. Wason:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 20 making inquiry regarding six tickets for the Oklahoma Aggie-Kansas game, March 11.

I have referred your letter to Mr. Earl Falkenstien, the Financial Secretary of the Athletic Association. He will write you concerning the best available tickets. I am sure you will hear from him shortly.

We are confronted with the same situation as Kansas State at Manhattan. There are 2926 seats in Hoch Auditorium that afford a good view for basketball games. We sell a great number of reserved season tickets to our patrons due to the fact we are close to Kansas City, Ottawa and Topeka. In addition, there are about 2000 students who have paid an extra dollar for a reserved season ticket for this year. Besides, the members of the Legislature, when they are in session in Topeka, generally want to come over and bring their wives, so you can see there are very few available seats in Hoch Auditorium.

The K-men of all sports are admitted to games, players get a ticket for each year they are on the squad, and then the members of the athletic board are admitted. We regret that we do not have better seating capacity so that a larger number of our many friends who would like to see a good basketball game could come and sit in comfort.

Counting every seat in the top balcony, which numbers about 600, we have but 3501 seats available in the whole auditorium. There are about 575 seats in the auditorium that do not give the spectator a view of the entire floor. This reduces all good seats to the number of 2926, which is not much larger than the gymnasium at Manhattan.

Hoch Auditorium was not built for a basketball court, but was built for a combined auditorium and basketball court, and the builders failed to make it a first-class basketball court or a first-class auditorium. So you can see our problem.

I regret that it may not be possible to reserve the seats you desire, but I am sure Mr. Falkenstien will do the best he can and you will hear from him shortly.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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cc: E. Falkenstien