## University of Kansas Bands

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Mr. Forrest C. Allen, Director Physical Education Department Campus

Dear Doctor Allen:

I have your letter of February 27 which I appreciate very much. I assure you it has been a real pleasure to work with you through the basket ball season just closed. I hope that the side-line support which we tried to give really did prove to be of some benefit. You certainly are one swell fellow to work with.

Regarding the statement in your letter concerning contributions to our Washington trip, may I explain that Mr. Falkenstein rather put me on the spot because I permitted two out-of-town band directors and their wives, and two Springfield, Mo., high school boys who are prospective KU students next year, to go in with the Band for the Homecoming football game. Earl called me on the carpet in a letter which was not too tactful and in my answer I brought out the fact that so far as our records showed at the time, Ad Lindsey was the only member of the athletic staff who had contributed a cent to our "On To Washington Fund".

I really did not intend that this should reflect on anyone in the Athletic Department and I am particularly sorry I made such a statement since your contribution was reported a day or two following my correspondence with Mr. Falkenstein. I can assure you that I hold nothing against any member of the athletic staff.
Mr. Henry and Mr. Falkenstein have been swell to me and you have been even more than that.

May I compliment you on the fine record you have made with the Basketball team this year. After all an 80 per cent batting average is considered fair in any league and you should be able to feel pretty good over the whole situation.

Yours very sincerely,

Director of Bands

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