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Chancellor Deane W. Malott
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Dear Chancellor Malott:

Your favor of the 2nd instant in regard to statements made by an interested alumnus of the University is at hand. I certainly agree with you and the interested alumnus that what is revealed by this data justifies some concern and further study. It is entirely thinkable that the teachers colleges of Pittsburg and Emporia will outrank the other schools in the State in coaching and teaching placement position. Subjects that they teach, such as manual arts and so forth, will place a great many students, and if these teacher applicants have athletic training so much the better.

Most of our boys here at the University who compete in athletics are from schools such as engineering, journalism, education and so forth. This does not apply at the teachers colleges. Our athletes enjoy a higher earning power and are placed in a higher bracket than many of these young men who go out to teach in Kansas high schools.

When I made a survey of most of my athletes who participated on Kansas basketball teams of the past twenty-two years, I found men such as John Bunn of Stanford; Waldo Bowman of McGraw-Hill and Company; Paul Endacott of Phillips; Tustan Ackerman of the Equitable Life, New York; Arthur "Dutch" Lonborg of Northwestern; Adolph Rupp of the University of Kentucky; Forrest "Frosty" Cox of the University of Colorado; Charles Black of the Illinois-Owen Glass Company; Jimmy Cox of Harvard; Roland Logan of the United States Military Academy, West Point; Elwyn Dees of the University of Nebraska; Balfour Jefferies, Attorney, Topeka; Dr. Harold Zuber, Kansas City; Dr. Paul Harrington, Charleston, South Carolina; Theodore O'Lery, Kansas City Star; Andrew McDonald, Southwestern Missouri State Teachers College, Springfield, Missouri; Robert Mosby, Cook Paint Company, Detroit; Ray Ebling and Fred Pralle, Phillips, Bartlesville, Oklahoma; and many others that I cannot mention just at the moment.

An interesting thing at present is that most of the boys on my Varsity team this year are in the School of Business, pre-medics, College and Engineering. I have only one boy in the School of Education with a major in physical education. True, football has many of these fellows, but most of my men have chosen a different profession and are working toward it. This is also true of my freshmen.