

August 10, 1939.

Mr. Raymond Nichols,
Executive Secretary,
Chancellor's Office.

Dear Raymond:

Doubtless Dean Swarthout has communicated with you in regard to the change of dates for his Christmas vespers. On March 30 Dean Swarthout wrote me that his annual Christmas vespers would occur this year on Sunday, December 10. They would need from Wednesday, December 6 on, to build the stage, construct the scenery and rehearse the many people concerned in this project.

You will recall that we had arranged games with Southern Methodist University on December 15 and 16, Friday and Saturday, but you told me that Dean Swarthout had this week for his Christmas vespers. After returning to my office I read you Dean Swarthout's letter and you asked me to disregard the conversation we had in your office previous to my calling.

Dean Swarthout's secretary called and said they would consider it a great favor if there was any way we could change those dates so that they might have the 17th for their vespers, as they had later discovered there was an extra week in the December calendar this year. Desiring to be cooperative, we negotiated with the University of Oklahoma authorities and the Southern Methodist athletic authorities, and finally arranged that we should play Southern Methodist here on Monday and Tuesday, December 18 and 19, instead of the 15th and 16th, to clear the way for Dean Swarthout. This was the final arrangement, and I am kindly notifying you that we will play the 18th and 19th to enable Dean Swarthout to have this date that he desired.

In all of our negotiations of the future I sincerely trust that Dean Swarthout and I will work together for the best interests of all concerned. If we play on the 18th and 19th it seems to me only cricket that we should have Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for practice in the auditorium, allowing Dean Swarthout Thursday, Friday and Saturday to make his preparations for his Sunday vespers. I am enclosing a letter that I am mailing Dean Swarthout for your perusal.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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