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Chancellor E. H. Lindley,
University of Kansas.

Dear Chancellor Lindley:

I want to advise you of the difficult time that we are having in being able to get on the auditorium floor for basketball practice.

On three days a week we are allowed to get on the floor at 3:30 - Monday, Thursday and Friday. The other days we may go in at 5:00 o'clock, but this hour is practically out of the question for us. It is very dangerous to the health of the boys for them to run over there in the cold air after they have been exercising and practicing here in the gymnasium for an hour or more. For that reason our practice on the floor on which we play our games is very limited.

It seems that this year we are having more difficulty than usual in being able to get the auditorium. The night before our game with Missouri, the 18th, there is a lecture scheduled. The floor, of course, has to be seated ahead of time for this event. There are many such instances similar to this when we have had to relinquish the floor for something else.

I understand, of course, that we all have to play ball, but I am having a very, very difficult time in getting to practice on the floor where we play our games. I don't know that there is anything that can be done about it, but still it is a very perplexing situation.

Another disturbing thing happened in connection with our arrangement for a game with Oklahoma A. and M. College here in Lawrence. We had signed the contract to play them here on February 9th, and thought we had cleared with all offices so that there would be no conflict of dates. Then we learned that Mr. Nichols had set a lecture for that night. We desired to play Washburn College between semesters and wanted this game with Oklahoma A. and M. following that game. We had to finally schedule our Oklahoma A. and M. game for the 8th and the game with Washburn for the 10th of February.

I thought it well to bring your attention to our problems, although I have no solution in mind.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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