

May 14, 1945.

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Dear Bob:

I have your postcard which was addressed to the Basketball Coach of Kansas State College of Agriculture and Applied Science, Kansas State College, Pitts, Kansas.

For your information, we are at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas. The Kansas State College of Agriculture is at Manhattan, Kansas. At Pittsburg, Kansas, they have a Teachers College, as well as Teachers Colleges at Hays and Emporia, Kansas. The University is a group of colleges and we have the colleges of Medicine, Engineering, Journalism, Law, Fine Arts, Pharmacy, and Liberal Arts. That is why they call us the University.

It is nice of you to write expressing your pleasure at the uphill fight we made in trying to win the Big Six championship. Iowa State was as hot as the proverbial fire-cracker against us, as they hit 35% of their shots that night, when their season's average was 24%. However, Coach Louis Menze, the Iowa State coach, is one of my old boys, and while Kansas would liked to have won the championship, they were pleased indeed that one of my old players was able to coach the championship team. Coach "Dutch" Longberg of Northwestern University, Coach Adolph Rupp of Kentucky, and Coach "Frosty" Cox of Colorado, are some of my other coaches out in the coaching field.

I regret that we do not have a uniform of our basketball team that we could send you. Equipment is so difficult to get that we have had great trouble in getting enough to equip our boys. We wear woollens and not rayons. The rayon looks flashy, but to me it has always looked like a bathing suit or equipment for a chorus girl. We wear woollens because they retain the heat of the body better and are better protection of the players, and then I think they are more compatible with an athletic uniform. They are not so flashy but are more substantial.

Thanking you for your good wishes, and regretting that we cannot comply with your request, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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