Mr. Hale B. Blair, Secretary, Ottawa Lodge #18, A.F.&A.M., Ottawa, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Blairs

I thank you very much for your kind invitation to attend your 80th Anniversary of the Ottawa Lodge #18, on Wednesday, December 27, 1939.

We are returning our varsity basketball players to Lawrence on the 27th to get ready for the Sunflower Tournament at Topeka on December 28, 29 and 30. For that reason I find that I will be unable to attend the Masonic supper celebration. I regret that this is the case, but I wish for you and your splendid lodge one of the happiest reunions that you have experienced.

With all good wishes, and thanking you for your thoughtfulness, I am

Fraternally yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation, Varsity Basketball Coach.

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