

December 14, 1940

Mr. Wm. M. Gray
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Chanute, Kansas

Dear Bill:

I acknowledge with gratitude your swell letter of December 13.

I will admit that the statement attributed to you in the Kansas City Star shocked me severely. Without going any further I made the move that I felt I was justified in making because I knew I had never subsidized a basketball player.

If there were any erroneous conclusions gathered from anything I had done regarding Ralph Miller, I wanted to take full responsibility for it, and was willing to take a public panning for any athletic indiscretion that might have taken place.

Yes, Bill, I have known you for some time and that was a shocking thing to me. I assure you I accept your statement 100% and so far as you and I are concerned I have forgotten the matter entirely. The next time I see you you will realize it because I assure you that nothing is malicious in my makeup, and while my statements have been mistaken at times, I do not wish anyone ill will or harm.

It will be good to see you, Bill, and thank you for your swell letter.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach

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