

November 17, 1938.

Mr. R. E. Gowans, Principal,
Ottawa High School,
Ottawa, Kansas.

Dear Friend Gowans:

Thank you for your letter of the 18th ultimo. Mr. Crow, our electrician, and Mr. Dell Davidson, our superintendent of stadium, and I would like to drive down some morning. I have classes on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 to 10:30, and on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11:30 to 12:30.

I imagine you may think it queer that I am writing this kind of a letter, but I haven't had an opportunity to see your high school in action for quite some time, and I thought if it was convenient for you any morning it would be a pleasure for me to speak in your chapel or assembly, if a speaking date could be arranged.

Since I am head of the new Department of Physical Education here at the University, and the fact that we are offering a major in Physical Education, I feel that if arrangements can be made I would be glad to speak at some morning hour assembly convenient to you. I would then arrange the trip down there to agree with this speaking engagement. In this way we could kill two birds with one stone. We could check up on the electric score board and also pay a friendly visit to your group.

Of course, you understand that I would not try to proselyte any students, but it is well enough for your neighbor on Mount Oread to pay a friendly visit to you - our neighbor in Franklin County.

By the way, we are conducting a basketball clinic here in Hoch Auditorium on Saturday afternoon, December 3, at 2:30 o'clock for coaches and players in this region, and I trust that your group will be able to come. Coach Tom Scott, of the Warrensburg Teachers, will use his team for demonstrations lasting about half an hour, then I will use the Kansas team for demonstrations. We plan to show a movie talkie on basketball, Dr. Naismith will speak briefly, as will other outstanding men interested in playing, coaching and officiating the game of basketball. I think we will have a very interesting program. We are inviting all high school coaches and players to attend this clinic as guests of the University.