

AS I READ THROUGH THE J.R. IT MAKES ME A LITTLE UNHAPPY TO THINK THAT I NEVER MANAGED TO USE MY SIX FOOT THREE FRAME IN ANY OTHER CAPACITY THAN AS A FRONT ROW, DYED IN THE WOOL, 100% MORALE BOOSTER FOR THE EVER GLORIOUS JAYHAWK BASKETBALL TEAMS. IN MY FIVE YEARS ATTENDANCE OF THE UNIVERSITY I NEVER MISSED ONE HOME GAME AND IN THREE SEASONS FOLLOWING MY DEPARTURE FROM MOUNT OREAD I MISSED ONLY TWO--AND THEY WERE IN K.C. EVEN THOUGH I WASN'T ON THE FLOOR "SINKIN 'EM" I ALWAYS FELT I WAS SORT OF A PART OF THE GANG OUT THERE...AND I ALWAYS WILL TOO.

I HAVE WORKED WITH BOYS FROM MINNESOTA WHO HAVE BRAGGED ABOUT THEIR FOOTBALL TEAMS AND MICHIGAN LADS WHO HAVE TALKED TOMMY HARMON, GEORGIA HAD SINKWICH, TEXAS A & M HAD KIMBROUGH, BUT WHEN THE TALK TURNS TO BASKETBALL, AND I ALWAYS SEE THAT IT DOES, THEY ALL HAVE TAKE A BACK SEAT, AND ADMITTEDLY SO..

I GUESS RECEIPT OF YOUR SWELL "REBOUNDS" HAS ME REMINISCING A LITTLE SO BEFORE I REALLY GET WOUND UP I WILL CLOSE, FIRST WISHING YOU AND MRS ALLEN, ALL THE FAMILY, (REMEMBER ME TO MIT AND BOBBY) AND ALL THE OLD GANG STILL PRESENT, A VERY, VERY MERRY XMAS FOLLOWED BY A MIGHTY HAPPY AND SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR.

THE NEXT TIME YOU SEE DR. WOODRUFF, DEAN LAWSON AND MISS LEAR, EXTEND TO THEM MY XMAS GREETINGS AND WARMEST REGARDS.

WITH MY EYES WIDE OPEN I'M DREAMING BUT MAYBE OLD LADY LUCK WILL SMILE UPON ME AND MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR ME TO SEE THE '43-'44 EDITION OF "HOW BASKETBALL SHOULD BE PLAYED". GOODLUCK ON YOUR COMING SEASON, HERE OR THERE, I'M WITH YOU EVERY GAME.

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