

I have never seen this side stressed at all, yet this is the thing that the champion is decided upon when there is a tie between two Big Six teams. A basketball game is six to eight minutes longer now, due to the elimination of the center jump, so after all, this high score doesn't mean anything as compared to past years because you are actually playing a greater number of minutes now than heretofore.

And one other point. The newspapers have been playing Gerald Tucker up for a near 20 point average in five games. Last year Howard Engleman had a near 20 point average in eight games, but he slipped in one game and that cut his scoring average down. By what right should Gerald Tucker be even considered for average high scorer when by his own act he migrated against the rules and estopped himself from playing the ten-game schedule that he could have played had he remained in the college where he first matriculated? After all, apparently it is the fellow who beats the rules and splurges that the public pays some attention to.

Although our publicity department erred in making a misstatement regarding the Kansas debacle at Columbia, yet a sports editor who is cognizant of athletic happenings should not let such a discrepancy get by. Since Horace Mason's going many such errors are bound to happen. When a fellow prints news naturally it should be authentic.

I am writing this letter to you in a personal manner to merely say to you that in all the time you were in school and while you were at your paper in Lawrence I endeavored to be utterly fair and at times I went out of my way to give you some hot tips that I thought would be appreciated by newspaper men. And perhaps they were. But through most of the years that you were writing I was not able to detect many of those things. Doubtless the dissatisfied boys and some of the unsuccessful ones who got your ear pictured the other side. If they did, all is well and good, but I only want to make this statement to you. That you will find when you get out of town that the picture won't be nearly what you have painted it through your years. I have never alibied nor have I appealed through pity or some other weakness, as others have, why they should be built up. The thing that deserves to live will live. And if a fellow makes a showing consistently it is because he makes his success by hard work and not by asking someone to alibi for him.

Wishing you continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,

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