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DR. FC Allen,  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

Been intending ever since saw you the other night there at HochAd. to write little to say that I enjoyed the game with the Can Saggies and also to say that I am sorry if, in the calls from Topka, it was necessary for you to leave your bed. I do not know that it was, but might have been as the calls were delayed a while after I made them. Thanks greatly for the consideration and chance to visit even if briefly.

I had the thing (big6) all figured out a time or two but the games did not all come out as I had expected. You beat Okla. there on Hill little more than I had anticipated. Then all the while I was wary of that game at Manhattan as I thot that some day the Aggs would beat KU there and I knew they would try mighty hard this time. I really on my dope sheet had you picked to win by a shade and I guess that is what you did.

I never did see a box score in any paper but of course got the score. Our Osborne county tourney was on at Alton that night and I tried to get the result to have it annouced there at Alton. I finally got it but had difficulty in doing so. I called for athletic office and then for you and nobody seemed to know about it then (about 9:30) and so I called the bus station cafe and some fellow grouchily said he heard KU won 33 to 31. It was not till later that we learned of the ruckus there.

Even now I do not know much details as to what happened. Not much in the papers and the sport sheets are all much less dependable that formerly, so I just picked up what this one heard and that one heard and take it that State was rather a hard loser. I can readily see that they would want to win that game mighty much.

Party told me that said one who saw game told him, that it was a hot finish, nobody could hear anything, not even the whistle of the officials and that all kinds of things took place the last few minutes -- that sidelines puched KU men near the line; that Agg players nearly tackled KU men; that the ref. lost his shirt, that you lost some good air from your tires; that a mob assembled, and so on and so forth. I judge part of it muct have been true.

I liked the way your men handled ball the night I was there but thot you did not have the scoring punch that KU has had in other years when there would be two or three men who could be counted on for maybe ten points. Reynolds has a twisting, squirmish action that one seldom sees and for a moment you almost lose sight of the ball.

I am hoping you can win the one at Ames, tho there is chance that IState might lose at Manhattan and also at Oklahoma. Also some slight chance Okla. will win the rest of them, so three of you may tieup.

I heard too, that there is a little friction among one or two of your men. I hope not, but if had to guess I am sure I could name them, and the only reason in the world I would do so, is just from some little observance among your men that night I was there. I hope same is not true, and that it has or will subside.