

states, told me before Tucker went to Kansas State that Tucker was to get his board, room, tuition, books at the Phi Delta house and was also to have his national dues paid for taking care of the recreation room at the Phi Delta Theta house. This is a rare exception for any student to receive his dues that go to the national fraternity. Bruce, it is alleged, was to pay him a salary as secretary or for taking care of his children in his home, and Tucker was to receive special voice training from a teacher on the faculty without any charge. This proposition was made him, allegedly, before Tucker decided to go to Manhattan.

The last time I talked to Tucker when he told me that he was going to Oklahoma, I promised him three tough years of competition with Kansas in the Big Six. At the last moment he decided to go to Manhattan, so I do not know what Jack Gardner promised him, but I do know that Jack called upon him. Apparently the offer was better than the offer made at Oklahoma.

Of course, I did not know of the letter written by Mr. Kraft to Dr. King and the subsequent correspondence that passed between the authorities of Kansas State and Oklahoma. According to the Big Six handbook there was no way that Tucker could be eligible the first semester at Oklahoma because he had resided at least seven weeks as a student at Manhattan. No person is eligible to transfer and be eligible for athletics at the other institution after he establishes his residence for four weeks at the first institution. This unquestionably Tucker did. Therefore, I was shocked beyond measure when Coach Drake played Tucker against Southern Methodist University during the Christmas holidays. After that contest I had waited a time until the legally constituted authorities of the Big Six Conference should act in the fracture of this rule. Nothing came of it.

I then called on Coach Henry and found that he had left for Texas and then was going to one of the Bowl games. I immediately wrote Coach Henry, my superior, bringing out the points as I saw them, and sent a carbon copy to our faculty representative, Professor W. W. Davis, asking that something be done which would bring this case to a focus. It was then that Professor Davis called Dr. King and, I believe, Mr. Kraft. Certainly neither Dr. King, Professor Davis, nor Gwinn Henry initiated the thing, but I did.

Why would any school protest Tucker's playing until he actually played a game? And then right after he played Southern Methodist he started on a trip to New York. I believe I have definitely explained to you why no one cried "wolf" until the wolf appeared.

The fact that Oklahoma interpreted the rule that it was designed for football players only would not be logical because the rules are applied to all athletes whether track, football, basketball, baseball or what not. Basketball players at the University of Missouri have been disqualified by the Big Six for the reason that they played in a pick-up game at Moberly, Missouri. And Bill Johnson was even disqualified because he played in his home town Y.M.C.A. of Oklahoma City during a pick-up Christmas holiday game.