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Dr. F. C. Allen,  
care Kansas U.,  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Doctor Allen:

I have your letter today and so will reply at once, in view of the fact that I wanted to write you anyway regarding the following:

I have written Joe Nickell who gives the ten p. m. WibW news each night and asked him to try to be able to announce at the close or during his broadcast, the scores of your KU games in the East. I thot that the hour there is ahead of our time, and that he might be able to get your score as many of us would like to have it on night of game.

So just wanted to say to you that if you can boost the AP or some agency back there to get the score to the Capital right after game, maybe we can get those three games the same night. Whatever you can do will be appreciated by a lot of fans.

And while writing I will say that you were welcome, and more, to the little item of publicity I gave in regard to the basketball 'game' and Doctor Naismith. I like the game and its supporters and I never miss a chance to give any little word I can to men who are good square shooters, sincere, sober and honest. And I will ask you, "What would 'we' do without basketball all fall and winter?"

You mentioned Max, his work, grades, etc. As to grades, he had written me he has trouble with the Spanish. He had no foreign language here and so I think it is hard and tedious for him. It may be that he ought not have taken it and I did not know that he was going to until after he had started. But if they set it out for him, it is just up to him to get it and he should be able to if he puts enough time on it. I will talk to him about it over holidays. Max was a very good student here and a very clean, sincere boy but he was not an all A students as he was in so many activities in the school and community that he did not have time to put on his work, that is any more time than he should have. I want him to get some passing grade in all his subjects and for next semester I will help him get a line-up possibly more down his grrove. That is if the Dean will allow that. I think Max should be able to make suitable grades in his work. Any time you want to check him up or caution him, it will be agreeable with me.

Max writes that the basketball there is great and he thinks all of you and the boys, both varsity and 'fresh' are grand fellows. I am not sure but I think he thinks that he is not big enough to keep pace with those boys as I note they are all big men.

In haste and I hope this reaches you before you leave and I am going to write you on the football argument soon.

In haste,

J. E. Kissell, Portis