

Carla faint jump back

Harp jump back man in corner

Body

Spirit

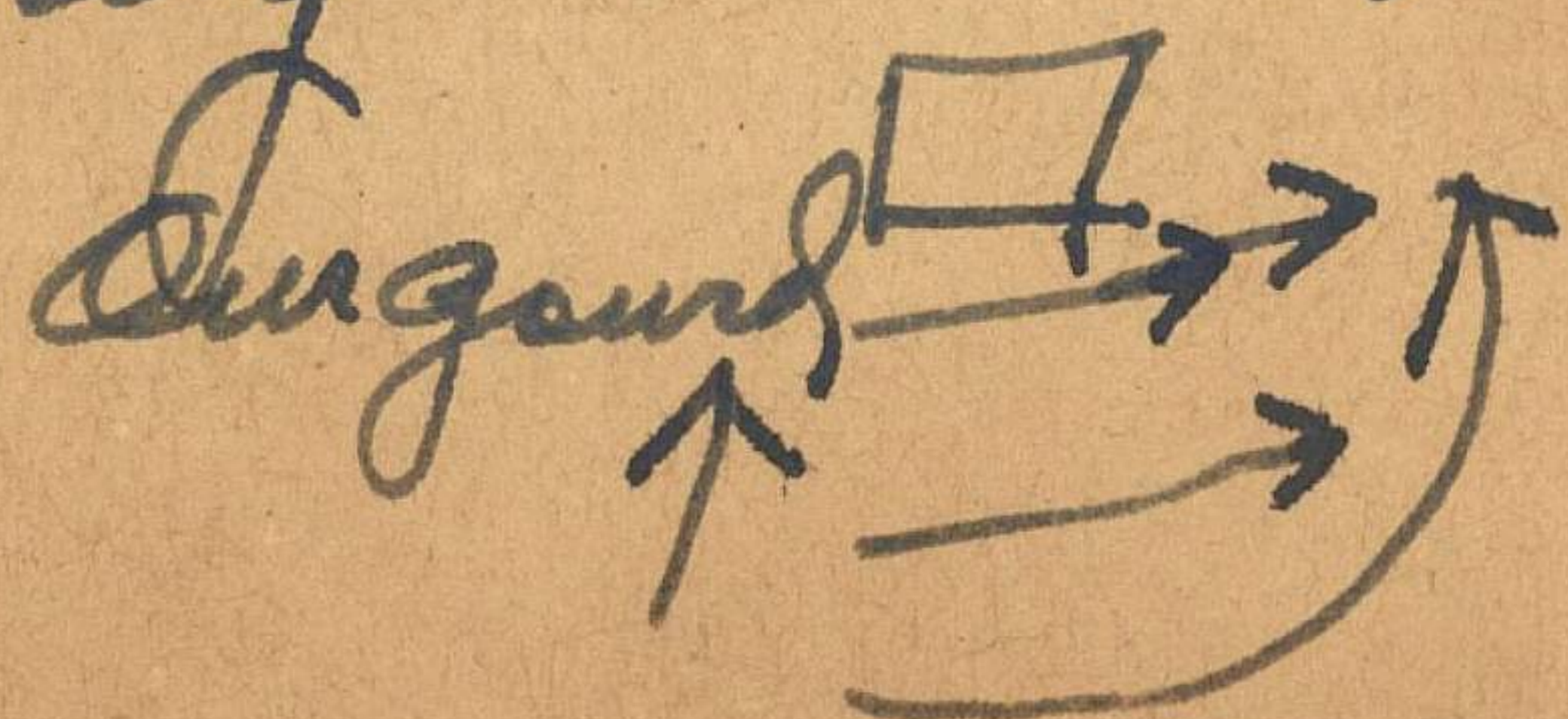
Great Paul's

Kansas Defense.

Kansas guards must play closely to Oklahoma forwards when they swing across. Play position on them. This refers to all Oklahoma set plays - all Kansas men must shift and move their feet and hands as boxers do. Talk, shift and move hands and feet. Merely if you picked one foot up and put it down - that is a big improvement over standing still. Don't you see when 5 men stand still on defense there appears gaping holes in the defense to shoot through.

When Kansas guards observe the front Kansas defensive line being drawn too far out - either guard should shout the retreat warning.

Oklahoma will swing just as Ok. Aggies did but they will swing a lot faster so play position a lot faster. Watch their swing down the center and watch the swing around to the right - Mc. Katt, Mesch



July 5 boys in U.S.
Kansas

For 1
For 2 Hike

Kansas Offense

On old #1 opposite forward comes around fast.

On new #1 guard goes across fast - forward around fast

On Post plays Miller changes with his other forward until he finds best location.

On time outs discuss these things -

What plays are working best -

Old #1 - new #1 - Post - #4 - #5 - #6 - #7.

Bob can you cut around on a.o.b. #3? Explain

What is chief weakness of Okla. Defense?

Who is weakest defender man on Okla.?

Will doubling back help our defense.

Can our forwards swing if guard passes ball to forwards? How are Okla. guards

playing ala Martin? Explain

Miller should draw fouls but don't make them.

After 5 times out for Kansas decide

What man is to get injured when time is to be next called out without penalty.

We must replace that man for no penalty.

Fast Break You can also out break them because your fundamentals are better than Oklas. Remember to pivot if you are confronted with a guard who has position on you.

Forwards Eufemian & Ebling dribble forward and watch for ^{our} guards cutting around

Play # 4 & # 5

A.B. cuts in the opposite direction nearly to the free throw line. Guards cut around when forward pivots

Triangle - used an offensive play - as well as a defensive measure. Never have back to basket - Miller Keep your base and apex of triangle straight

Only use other 2 of 5 men when you are in trouble -

When A.B. is crowded - When guards are crowded.

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As soon as Kansas loses possession
of ball all ^{Kansas} ₁ men must race the first
15 steps back into defensive position as

fast as lightning

Kansas Defense under basket -

Kansas Defense at corner side line

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Kansas Defense on Fast Play.

Kansas Defense when guard rushes out to
corner or side.

since his grad
he has been assisting Coach
Hugh Mc Dermott
Coach of Freshmen years.

(2)

Corbin want be able to hit at Hoch like
he did down at Norman -
Dick Sharp, watch Mullen either on post
or on rebound - but rebound emphatically
eyes up on ball.
Guards use thighs and quarterback and
forwards bore in to get that ball.
Miller watch your fouls. Stay in the game.
Watch backing into your opponent
Remember the prejudice against the post -
All Kansas men - play position on
the swing that Oklahoma employs - Don't
foul the scorer by jumping up and into
the shooting player - Watch the ball and
do not slap down at the ball - They
can't hit the basket as often as they
can hit free throws from your fouls
Oklahoma has a simple screen
The Kansas guard slides by with
one arm upraised and uses
a batters stance to advance

George Kelly
followed
Bennett

Bruce Drake is a
Allan coachman

Johnson
under
Philly
Bishop
from
class

Played for under Roy

Bennett, a forward at Penn
in 1920. Bennett went to
Centerville in Okla City
coached
Drake
3 years.

Drake, Churchill of Hall
played under him in 1925. Then
entered DU in 1926. There
made the great team.

Bennett now in business
at Parsons!

Bruce Drake didn't play f.b.
in high school, but at Lin Fair
needed a quarterback so make
Drake into one.

"I come within an ace of entering KU," said
Fine coach and sportman.

Missouri

	St.L.	Wyo.	St.L.	Wash.	Den.	G.T.	Wyo.	Wash.	
Harvey	1	11	2	6	4	8	6	3	41
Keirse	13	6	3	3	3	4	8	13	53
Currence	3	6	3	2	13	8	8	11	54
Tison	6	6	10	12	2	8	0	6	50
Lobsiger	8	1	6	5	8	6	2	9	45
Halsted	6	5	3	7	9	6	8	6	50
Watson	5	1	0	0	8	0	0	2	16
Cooper	0	x	0	4	2	0	8	2	16
Nash	0	2	0	4	2	1	1	x	19
Jorgenson	x	x	0	x	0	x	0	0	0

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March 1, 1939

Mr. Harold Claassen,
The Associated Press,
Kansas City Star Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Mr. Claassen:

Thanks for your note of February 27th in regard
to selecting the Big Six all-star players.

Since writing you on February 24th I find that
I am able to make a selection for the first and second
all-star teams, and am enclosing them herewith.

Cordially yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, MO.,
FEB. 27, 1939

DR. FORREST C. ALLEN,
COACH OF BASKETBALL,
UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS,
LAWRENCE, KANSAS

DEAR DR. ALLEN:

I AGREE PERFECTLY WITH THE OPINION YOU EXPRESSED IN YOUR LETTER THAT IT IS UNFAIR TO PICK THE BIG SIX ALL-STAR PLAYERS WHEN THE CRUCIAL GAMES STILL REMAIN TO BE PLAYED.

HOWEVER, IN THIS JOB AS IN SO MANY OTHERS, ONE SOMETIMES MUST DO WHAT ONE DOES NOT LIKE. THE PRIME REASON FOR SENDING OUT THE BALLOTS SO EARLY WAS TO GET AN INDICATION OF WHICH PLAYERS WERE BEING FAVORED AND TO GET PICTURES OF THEM. IT TAKES TWO WEEKS TO ROUNDUP PICTURES AND HAVE A CUT MADE. BY THE PRESENT METHOD WE CAN RELEASE THE PICTURES AND STORY ON THE SAME DAY----AN IDEAL ARRANGEMENT FOR THE SPORTS EDITORS.

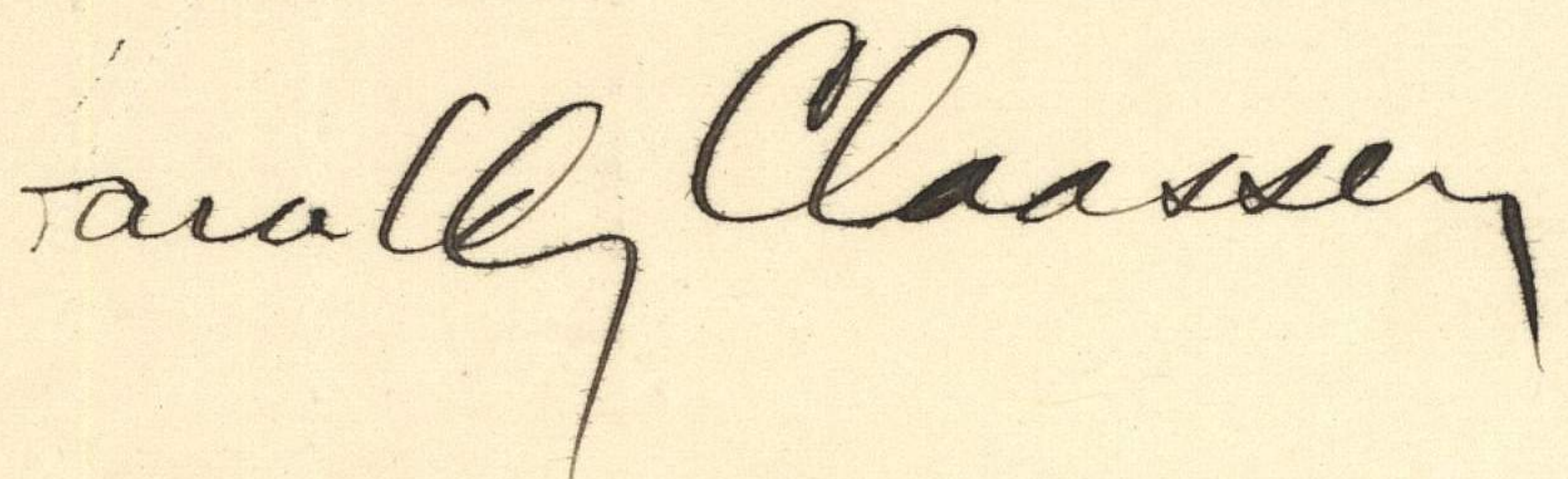
I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SELECTIONS AFTER THE SEASON HAS OFFICIALLY CLOSED AS I DO NOT INTEND RELEASING THE NAMES UNTIL LATER.

THE KANSAS-NEBRASKA GAME WAS THE FIRST BIG SIX GAME I WITNESSED ALTHOUGH I HAD SEEN IOWA STATE PLAY DRAKE MANY TIMES DURING THE NINE YEARS I SPENT UNDER SEC TAYLOR'S GUIDANCE. I FELT, HOWEVER, THE KANSAS-OKLAHOMA GAME HAD A BIT MORE OF "SPECTATOR" APPEAL. IN THE TWO GAMES I HAVE SEEN, I DEVELOPED A GREAT RESPECT FOR YOUR LYMAN CORLIS AS A REBOUND ARTIST.

THANKS FOR YOUR KIND WORDS ABOUT THE STORY. AFTER ALL, IT WAS YOU WHO MADE THE STORY.

SINCERELY YOURS,

HAROLD CLAASSEN
SPORTS EDITOR



February 24, 1939.

Mr. Harold Claassen,
The Associated Press,
Star Building,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mr. Claassen:

It is impossible for me to pick a first and second All-Big Six selection until the championship play is over. These preliminary games up to now might, in a general way, determine some of the playing efficiency of the game, but championship games determine championship players - those that are entitled to first and second place selection.

I do not see for the life of me how you can pick first and second men until the race is over. Why would it not be wise to wait until after the 6th of March when the race is over, rather than try to pick them now? That would give us then time to publish them the following week-end.

I am not trying to tell you how to run your business but merely trying to explain that premature picking, even though newspapers want to be first on the job, is not fair to the selection.

It is all right for the other folks to send in their guesses, but I would like for my guess to be a little more sure.

Cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
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March 1, 1939.

Mr. Carl Lundquist,
United Press Association,
Journal-Post Building,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Carl:

In response to your request of February 25th
I am glad to send you my selections for the first and
second all-star Big Six teams.

Cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
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KANSAS CITY, MO.

February 25, 1939.

Dr. Forrest C. Allen,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kan.

Dear Phog:

Once again I seek your cooperation in the selection of an all Big Six conference basketball team. Because of the unusually close race and keen competition this season, the opinions of the coaches and officials will be important if we in the distant galleries are to make an accurate selection of players.

I am enclosing a blank form for your convenience. I intend to carry the all-conference selections for release late next week so will appreciate a reply before Wednesday, March 1.

With best personal regards,

Carl Lundquist
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March 1, 1939

Mr. Parke Carroll,
Kansas City Journal-Post,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Parke:

In response to your request of February 23
I am glad to send you my selections for the first and
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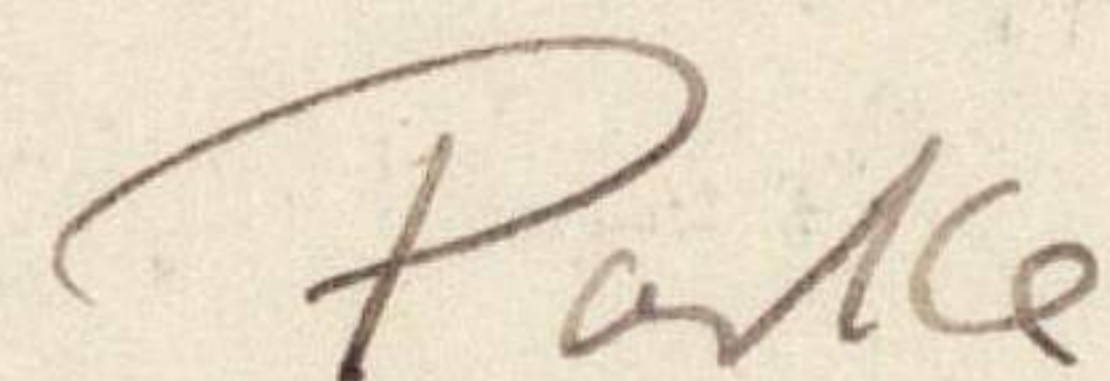
Dear Doc:

At your earliest convenience I would appreciate your all-star Big Six basketball selections, first and second teams, with first names of all players chosen from your squad.

I am eager to get the selections as quickly as possible in order to accompany the selections with photos.

Thanks for past favors and an early reply.

Sincerely,



Parke Carroll

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Mr. George R. Edwards,
Basketball Coach,
University of Missouri,
Columbia, Missouri.

Dear George:

Your letter of the 27th instant just received, and I assure you it is entirely agreeable to me to start the game at 8:10. I can understand the difficulty. We will keep this information entirely confidential.

We have played some good games and some poor ones, but I am very much afraid that we have had too many highlights to expect them to keep going at the rate they did against Oklahoma.

I am sure that we will have a great game down there Thursday night, and I, along with you, too, am hoping that the team playing the better game will be the winner.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

February 27, 1939.

Dr. F. C. Allen,
Coach of Basketball,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kan.

Dear Dr. Allen:

Our home games have started at 8:00 P.M., and we will announce in all releases that Thursday night's game will begin at the usual time. Our attempt, of course, will aim at having all spectators in their seats at that time.

However, with a sell-out expected and an unusual amount of confusion reigning Mr. Spurling has asked that the opening of the game be postponed ten minutes so that the ticket takers and gate keepers can be allowed sufficient time to have the crowd settled.

We don't wish this postponement to become known,- only the two coaches and our executive secretary being the only ones who are informed,- as there may be some reserved seat holders who would be certain to take advantage of it. In planning your pre-game details, then, both of us can arrange to have our teams ready to go at 8:10 P.M.

Your team has reached the heights I predicted before the opening of the season, and the boys must have looked very impressive in the second half of your Oklahoma game. We are making desperate efforts to have all preparations completed so that things will be as smooth as possible, and we hope that the team playing the better game will be the winner.

Yours truly,

George
George R. Edwards.

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STUDENT MASS MEETING, BOCH BASKETBALL PALESTRA

7:00 p.m. Saturday

Be There!

A Kansas-Missouri conflict is always unpredictable,
but the intelligence and fight of our Kansas Varsity
Basketeers is consistently dependable.

Four Thousand Eight Hundred loyal sons and daughters
on Mount Oread believe you will do it, Varsity Gang.

"A team that won't be beaten can't be beaten."

YEA KANSAS!

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Mr. W. P. Bowen, Manager,
Tiger Hotel,
Columbia, Missouri.

Dear Mr. Bowen:

I am a little late writing you regarding my needs for our basketball squad. We will leave here Wednesday afternoon by bus if the snow doesn't impede our travel. We will eat dinner in Kansas City and get to your hotel some where about 9 or 9:30 Wednesday night.

There will be as many as 20 or 21 of us. We will bring the entire squad. I wish you would make arrangements for us at your usually attractive rate and the good care that you have always taken of us. There might be a few less than this number, but I thought I should make provision for the entire group. It is all right to double them up in two double beds in a room if you desire, or if you are crowded.

With all good wishes to you and Mrs. Bowen, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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To Columbia - March 2

Allen

Coach Allen

Corlis

Trainer Nesmith

Ebling

Milt Meier - or

(Kansan)

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