Mr. J. E. Kissell, The Portis Independent, Portis, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Kissell:

I enjoyed very much reading your fine letter of December 22nd. I am not going to take time to answer your letter this morning as I have just returned from Christmas vacation, and I am to meet my boys later in the afternoon for a work-out prior to the Sunflower Tournament in Topeka.

I trust that you and Max will get down to Topeka to see some of this tournament. I would be glad to have you and him as my guests. We will be staying at the Kansan Hotel, and I trust that you will look me up. If Max comes alone tell him to look me up and I want him to meet each and every one of our Kansas boys on the varsity so that he will get better acquainted with them. I feel that the University of Kansas is the place for Max to attend, and when I answer your letter I will tell you why.

Well as my daughter and her three children from Louisville. We had a splendid Christmas - everybody was home, and everbody had a good time visiting. Milton and Bobby both asked that I remember them to you and Max. Mrs. Allen and the rest of us also wish to be remembered to Mrs. Kissell.

Our kindest regards to all of you. I am hoping that this snow that we are getting will offer some ray of hope to you people who have been hit harder than most anybody in Kansas. I promise you before the first of the year I will answer your good letter in full.

With all good wishes to you and yours, I am

Sincerely yours,