## JAYHAWK REBOUNDS

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Dear Fellow Jayhawkers:

We are leaving this evening for Norman, Oklahoma, where we play the Oklahoma Sooners on their fieldhouse court Saturday night, January 20. As usual, we are expecting a typical ding-dong battle with the boys from Soonerland. I told the boys the evening of January 5th, at Columbia, after we had licked the Tigers down there in our first conference game 45 to 28, that "I'll bet when our friends pick up the paper in the merning and read the results of this game they will be as much surprised as I am now." It certainly was a smashing upset. We had not been looking any too well, and George Edwards' Missouri Tigers had defeated us on December 23rd in Muncipal Auditerium in Kansas City by a score of 48 to 39.

The night before, in Kansas City, we had defeated Fritz Knorr's Kansas State team 63 to 40. (Knorr is serving his first year as coach at K-State.) We looked awfully good in that game, but it appeared as if we were in-and-outers.

New, let's start at the beginning and give you the results of the games played earlier. We dropped our first game with Washburn at Topeka on December 4, 35 to 40. Then Dee Errickson's Washburn team played us here on December 8, and we licked them 31 to 27. On December 12 we played Lew Lane's Rockhurst College team in Municipal Auditorium, and won 47 to 23. We played them a return game here on December 19, and won 47 to 28.

Our first Big Six Conference home game was played last Friday night, January 12, when "Lew" Lewandowski brought a tall, aggressive Nebraska team to Lawrence, but the Kansas jinx still holds on Lew and he lost, 48 to 33. Lew has not wen a game from Kansas in his six years of coaching at the Husker institution. But we are looking for trouble when we go to Lincoln on Feb. 10.

Iewa State and Kansas have each won two games and have lost none at the present writing. Iewa State has three old men back and some of them are men returned from the service, so they have quite an advantage in experience and age. Their offensive-defensive ratio record is also better than Kansas. Iewa State plays Missouri at Columbia Saturday night, but the Missouri team apparently has hit the toboggan, so Iewa State should win. Iewa State defeated Nebraska at Lincoln by 12 points, and Kansas State at Ames by 29 points.

Now, regarding the personnel of the squad. Dean Nesmith is still with us as trainer and friend of the boys, but he has been preparing for Army specialized service and may be called before the next game. I cannot tell you what area he will be assigned to but some of you Jayhawkers will be seeing him soon, which I know will be good news to you. He will go over as trainer. I was asked to go November 1st, but Chanceller Malott would not release me. Nothing would give me more pleasure than to give that old Rock Chalk yell with a gang of you fighting Jayhawks. Last Friday night at the Nebraska game the