

Condensed Information on  
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA BASKETBALL

Season of 1937-38

Member of Missouri Valley Intercollegiate Athletic Association  
"Big Six" Conference

Location--Lincoln, Nebraska

Colors--Scarlet and Cream

Population--82,000

Team Nickname--Cornhuskers

University enrollment--11,525  
(Including summer school, extension  
and medical school in Omaha)

Game captains appointed from  
senior members of squad for each game--  
Paul Amen, Elmer Dohrmann, Floyd Ebaugh  
and Elmer Dohrmann

Regular session on campus--7,000

Male students--4,514

Basketball Coaching staff

Administrative Staff

Major L. McC. "Biff" Jones, Director  
of Athletics

John K. Selleck, Business Manager

Gregg McBride, Publicity Director

W. H. Browne, Head Coach

A. J. Lewandowski, Head Freshman Coach

Charles Armstrong, Assistant Freshman  
Coach

Outstanding Sophomores

Lettermen Not Returning

Leland Hale, forward

Harry Sorensen, center

Howard Baker, forward

Paul Brown, forward

Bruce Duncan, guard

Max Hulbert, guard

Kenneth Lord, forward

George Porter, guard

Frank Tallman, forward

Robert Therien, center

Grant Thomas, forward

Dew Wilson, forward

Irving Yaffe, forward

Major Lettermen returning

Paul Amen, forward

Elmer Dohrmann, guard-center

Floyd Ebaugh, center

Lawrence Nelson, center

Robert Parsons, guard

Admission to Home Games

Minor Lettermen returning

Robert Elliott, forward

Lloyd Grimm, guard

William Kovanda, forward

Alton Werner, forward

Season book----- \$5.00

Reserved seat----- .99

General admission----- .55

Knot Hole----- .10

B Team Lettermen returning

Ray Baxter, center-forward

Jack Schock, guard

Clifford Scott, guard

(10 home games)

Coliseum capacity----- 8,500



University of Nebraska

Basketball Schedule

1937 - 1938

December	11 - Saturday	Ohio State University	at Columbus
December	17 - Friday	University of South Dakota	Lincoln
December	20 - Monday	University of Minnesota	Minneapolis
December	23 - Thursday	Indiana University	Lincoln
December	28 - Tuesday	University of Detroit	Detroit
December	30 - Thursday	Bradley Polytechnic Institute	Peoria
January	1 - Saturday	Niagara University	Buffalo
January	8 - Saturday	University of California	Lincoln
January	10 - Monday	University of Colorado	Lincoln
January	14 - Friday	University of Missouri	Lincoln
January	22 - Saturday	Kansas State College	Lincoln
January	29 - Saturday	Iowa State College	Ames
February	2 - Wednesday	University of Kansas	Lawrence
February	5 - Saturday	University of Oklahoma	Norman
February	9 - Wednesday	University of Oklahoma	Lincoln
February	12 - Saturday	University of Missouri	Columbia
February	14 - Monday	Iowa State College	Lincoln
February	19 - Saturday	Loyola University	Lincoln
February	21 - Monday	Kansas State College	Manhattan
February	26 - Saturday	University of Kansas	Lincoln



University of Nebraska

Varsity Basketball Roster - 1937-38

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No.	Player	Home	Position	Height	Weight	Exp.	Age	Year
33 X	Amen, Paul ✓	Lincoln	Forward	6'	170	2V	21	'38
35	Baxter, Ray	Ft. Scott, Kansas	Guard-Center	6 4	178	1B	21	'38
	<del>Brown, Paul</del>	<del>Broken Bow</del>	<del>Forward</del>	<del>5 11</del>	<del>152</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>18</del>	<del>'40</del>
36	Dohrmann, Elmer	Staplehurst	Center-Guard	6 5	205	2V	22	'38
13	Duncan, Bruce	Broken Bow	Guard	6 11/4	181	0	18	'40
32 X	Ebaugh, Floyd ✓	Superior	Center	6 53/4	197	2V	23	'38
21	Elliott, Robert	West Point	Forward-Guard	6 13/4	183	1M	19	'39
44	Grimm, Lloyd	Omaha	Guard	6 11/2	185	1M	21	'39
17	Hulbert, Max	Lincoln	Guard	5 11	150	0	19	'40
15	Kovanda, Wm ✓	Elk Creek	Forward	5 103/4	176	1M	19	'39
31	Lord, Kenneth	McCool Jct.	Forward	5 9	160	0	19	'40
	<del>Nelson, Lawrence</del>	<del>Moorefield</del>	<del>Center</del>	<del>6 7</del>	<del>190</del>	<del>1V</del>	<del>23</del>	<del>'38</del>
18 X	Parsons, Robert ✓	Lincoln	Guard	6 2	175	2V	22	'38
22	Schock, Jack	Falls City	Guard	6 1/2	160	1B	21	'39
12	Tallman, Frank X	Creston, Ia.	Guard-Forward	6 1/4	154	0	19	'40
	<del>Therien, Robert</del>	<del>Lincoln</del>	<del>Center</del>	<del>6 4</del>	<del>177</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>19</del>	<del>'40</del>
11 X	Thomas, Grant	Kearney	Forward	6 1	163	0	20	'40
16 X	Werner, Alton	Kansas City, Mo.	Forward	6 1	175	1M	20	'39
34	Wilson, Dow	Dow City, Ia.	Forward	5 10	156	0	20	'40
19	Yaffe, Irvin	Omaha	Forward	5 73/4	145	0	19	'40

X Starting lineup



William Harold Browne

Head Basketball Coach, University of Nebraska

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Record crowds, improved team play and individual finesse and a Conference championship (shared by Kansas U.) were only a few of the accomplishments of W. H. Browne, head basketball coach at the University of Nebraska, during the 1936-37 season.

This year Coach Browne is starting his sixth season as coach of the Cornhusker basketball squad. Browne became associated with the University of Nebraska as freshman basketball and football and head varsity baseball coach in 1930-31.

In 1932 Browne became head basketball coach and assistant varsity football coach at Nebraska. In football he was a valuable assistant to Dana X. Bible for five years and last season performed the same duties for Major Lawrence "Biff" Jones. Browne's work dealt chiefly with the ends but he was of untold value to the team as head scout.

Coach Browne has been a member of the research and visual investigation committee of the National Association for Basketball Coaches and has written an untold number of technical articles on basketball and physical education activities for national publications.

Previous to 1930 Browne had headed the department of physical education at Lincoln high school for 10 years, and coaches the football and basketball teams.

His football teams lost only three games during that 10-year period, attracting national attention by defeating Lane Tech of Chicago and twice turning back the strong Waite high eleven of Toledo, Ohio.

Browne's high school basketball teams, playing difficult schedules, won better than 75 per cent of its games and three times were state champions.

He was born in Port William, Ohio, July 18, 1899. Browne graduated from Morton high school, Richmond, Indiana; attended Earlham College at Richmond and State Normal at LaCrosse, Wisconsin. He was graduated from the American Gymnastic School at Indianapolis, Indiana, with a Bachelor of Physical Education degree and received Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts degrees at the University of Nebraska.

Browne is a captain in the Nebraska National Guard, commanding Headquarters Co., 110th Quartermaster Regiment. He is a member of the Phi Epsilon Kappa and Sigma Phi Epsilon, social fraternities, and Phi Delta Kappa, educational fraternity. He is a Mason, Shriner and Jester. Browne is married and has two children, Dorothy Jean and Billy.



The 1936-37 Final Big Six Standings

	W	L	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.
Nebraska.....	8	2	.800	378	304
Kansas.....	8	2	.800	352	270
Oklahoma.....	7	3	.700	357	335
Kansas State....	5	5	.500	385	372
Missouri.....	2	8	.200	299	400
Iowa State.....	10	10	.000	318	408

Nebraska's 1936-37 Record

Conference		Non-conference	
31--Missouri	22	31--South Dakota	33
45--Iowa State	33	53--Montana U.	39
31--Oklahoma	34	29--Minnesota	24
41--Kansas State	38	32--Ohio State	23
22--Kansas	27	35--Loyola	53
33--Oklahoma	29	41--Western Reserve	35
40--Kansas State	37	34--Canisius	39
50--Missouri	21	42--St. Thomas	41
37--Kansas	32	27--Temple	43
48--Iowa State	31	22--George Washington	41
For Season		For Season	
Won 8, lost 2		Won 13, lost 7	Won 5, lost 5

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University of Nebraska Basketball Squad

PERSONALITIES

Paul Amen, Husker forward, playing his third season under Coach Browne, hails from Lincoln, Neb. He was tenth high scorer in the Big Six conference last season with a total of 76 points.

Amen plays end on the varsity football squad and first base on the baseball team. In 1936 he made the trip to Berlin as a member of the U.S.A. Olympic baseball squad.

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Ray Baxter, center candidate, comes from Ft. Scott, Kansas. He was a B team letter last season. Ray is a senior in school, having competed one season with the Ft. Scott junior college quintet.

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Paul Brown, sophomore from Broken Bow, hopes to break into the Husker lineup this season. He is a good shot and floor man. Brown stands 5-11 and weighs 152 pounds. He was an outstanding prep school cager and a member of the freshman squad at Nebraska U. last year.



Elmer Dohrmann has the distinction of being the only sophomore to ever win four major letters at the University of Nebraska. He plays end on the football team; guard or center on the basketball squad; outfield on the baseball nine, and throws the javelin for Coach Henry F. Schulte's track team. Dohrmann is a senior now. He has won nine letters, having just completed his football competition. Elmer comes from Staplehurst, Nebraska but earned his prep school athletic honors at Seward high.

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Bruce Duncan, 18 years old, 6-1 1/4, weighing 181 pounds, has his heart set on a varsity cage career. He is a sophomore and comes from Broken Bow, Nebraska. Duncan is a guard.

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Floyd Ebaugh was one of the outstanding players in the Big Six Conference last season. His all-around play at center was eclipsed only by that of Frank Grove, all-conference pivot man from Kansas State.

Basketball fans are predicting a big year ahead for this 6-5 3/4 giant. Ebaugh "found" himself last season. He was a tower of strength on defense and found time to average six points a game through the Big Six campaign. Floyd is a senior and calls Superior, Nebraska his home.

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Robert Elliott comes from a basketball family. His brother Tom captained the Cornhusker squad in 1927-28. Last season, Bob's sophomore year, he won a minor letter. He plays either forward or guard.

Bob held down a backfield post on the Husker B football team this season.

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Lloyd Grimm was an outstanding guard as a high school player under Ernie Adams of Omaha Benson. Last year he earned his spurs as a reserve player, winning a minor letter at Nebraska U.

He is rugged and fast for a big fellow. Grimm played an end position on Biff Jones' varsity grid squad this fall.

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Max Hulbert was an all state and all Greater Lincoln league player in his high school days at Havelock, a suburb of Lincoln. He is a guard and one of the most promising sophomores on Coach Browne's varsity.

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Bill Kovanda is the fastest man on the Husker basketball squad. He excels as a floor man. Kovanda won a minor letter last season at a forward position. His home is at Elk Creek, Nebraska.

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Kenneth Lord, one of the eight sophomores on the varsity, is a candidate for a forward position. He hails from McCool Junction.

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Lawrence Nelson, tallest player on the squad, standing 6-7, won a major varsity letter two years ago. He did not compete last year. Nelson is a senior in school. He was an all state player at Curtis Aggie high. Home: Moorefield, Nebraska.

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Bob Parsons, all conference guard his junior year, is the outstanding player on the Nebraska basketball squad. He is an excellent shot from any part of the court.

Parsons ranks well as a defensive player. He stands 6-2 and played his high school ball in Lincoln. His brother, Rollin, better known as Bud, was a member of the Husker varsity three years back.

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Frank Tallman, a Creston, Iowa boy, is another sophomore candidate. He plays either the guard or forward positions. He is 19 years old, 6-1/4 and weighs 154 pounds.

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Husker Personalities - 4

Bob Therien, a former Bethany high school player, was an outstanding performer in Greater Lincoln high school circles. He was a member of the freshman squad last season. He stands 6-4 and weighs 177 pounds.

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Grant Thomas showed promise of going places as a freshman last season. He stands 6-1, weighs 163 and has a keen eye for the hoop. He was all state at Kearney high.

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Alton Werner is being groomed for a regular forward assignment this season. He won a minor letter last year. Werner's present home is Kansas City, Mo., although he played his prep school basketball at Frankfort, Kansas.

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Dow Wilson, aggressive, fast, cool and a good shot, looms as one of the leading sophomore "finds" although he stands only 5-10 and weighs but 156 pounds. He comes from Dow City, Iowa. Wilson was a member of the U.S. Olympic baseball squad and a teammate of Paul Anen, regular Husker forward.

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Irvin Yaffe may not be ready for a varsity position this season but he gets an A for effort. Although handicapped by his small stature-- he stands 5-7 3/4--Yaffe is a good floor man and shot. Played his high school basketball at Omaha Central.



IOWA STATE COLLEGE  
OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS  
AMES, IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION  
FOR MEN

December 20, 1937

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

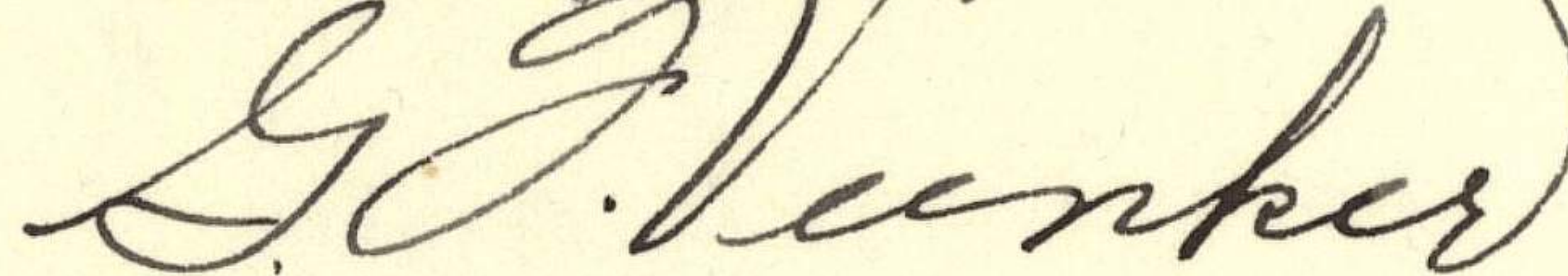
Dear Doc:

I am enclosing the 1937-1938 Big Six basketball officials list. There have been several changes in individuals and several changes in the dates of the games since this list was first made up. As far as I know now, the enclosed list is correct. However, to avoid any chance of a mistake I suggest that you drop a card to the officials of your home games shortly before the date they are scheduled to appear.

I am also enclosing the names and addresses of the Big Six basketball officials.

As you have observed there are four blanks in the basketball officiating appointments. As soon as the officials accept these assignments we shall notify the schools concerned.

Sincerely yours,



G.F. Veenker, Secretary  
Big Six Directors

GFV:JH  
Encl.



1937-1938 "Big Six" Basketball Officials

Jan.	7	Oklahoma	at Lawrence	Cochrane	Volz
	8	Kansas State	at Ames	HasBrouck	King
	11	Kansas	at Manhattan	Quigley	Volz
	14	Missouri	at Lincoln	Wulf	Carroll
	15	Iowa State	at Lawrence	Mason	Peters
	15	Missouri	at Manhattan	Lance	Wulf
	17	Iowa State	at Norman	Lance	Bell
	19	Kansas	at Columbia	Cochrane	Volz
	21	Iowa State	at Columbia	House	Lance
	22	Kansas State	at Lincoln	Quigley	Adams
	29	Nebraska	at Ames	Winter	HasBrouck
	31	Kansas State	at Norman	Old	Lance
Feb.	2	Nebraska	at Lawrence	Peters	Mason
	5	Missouri	at Ames	Winter	HasBrouck
	5	Nebraska	at Norman	Old	Carroll
	7	a Kansas State	at Lawrence	Quigley	Volz
	9	Oklahoma	at Lincoln		Cochrane
	10	Oklahoma	at Manhattan	Carroll	Quigley
	12	Nebraska	at Columbia	Wulf	Carroll
	12	Iowa State	at Manhattan	Peters	Lance
	14	Iowa State	at Lincoln	Carroll	Lance
	18	Kansas	at Norman	Cochrane	Volz
	18	Kansas State	at Columbia		Carroll
	21	Nebraska	at Manhattan	Quigley	Carroll
	21	Kansas	at Ames	Mason	Volz
	21	Missouri	at Norman	Old	Larson
	26	Kansas	at Lincoln	Quigley	Mason
	26	Oklahoma	at Ames	Wulf	Winter
	28	Oklahoma	at Columbia		
Mar.	3	Missouri	at Lawrence	Cochrane	Volz



BASKETBALL OFFICIALS

Big Six Conference - 1937-38

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Adams, Ernest	1419 First National Bank Bldg., Omaha, Nebraska
Bell, Alvin	3711 Markham, Little Rock, Arkansas
Carroll, Parke	Journal Post, Kansas City, Missouri
Cochrane, Chili	Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas
Duvall, Grabael	3105 Washington Street, Kansas City, Missouri
HasBrouck, Henry	Commissioner of Safety, Des Moines, Iowa.
House, Louis	Southwest High School, Kansas City, Missouri
King, Clyde	New Hampton, Iowa
Lance, John	Pittsburgh Teachers College, Pittsburgh, Kansas
Larson, Carl	2020 E. 13th, Tulsa, Oklahoma
Mason, Pat	Rockhurst College, Kansas City, Missouri
North, Jack	Register-Tribune, Des Moines, Iowa
Old, John B.	609 Beacon Life Building, Tulsa, Oklahoma
Peters, Reaves E.	Northeast High School, Kansas City, Missouri
Quigley, E. C.	St. Marys, Kansas
Volz, M. G.	First Trust Company, Lincoln, Nebraska
Winter, Fred	Independent School District, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Wulf, John	17 East 39th Street, Kansas City, Missouri



January 6, 1938.

Mr. Louis E. Monse,  
Basketball Coach,  
Iowa State College,  
Ames, Iowa.

Dear Louie:

Thank you very much for the copies of the Big Six Interpretations.

Do not worry about that Drake game. They had two boys who had only worked high school games, I am told - Vic Young and Winters, and my guess is that Vic should stick to selling athletic goods and Winters to stick to selling Buick automobiles. They tell me that Winters is not satisfied with the return that he gets from his coaching, and is making more selling Buicks. I would suggest that he stay right in there and sell Buicks.

It was a travesty - slam-bang, knock-down and drag-out. It looked like a field day for the rough and tumble boys. However, we had our chance to win the ball game even on free throws, but they backed us out of bounds so hard that the kids got the jitters and couldn't have thrown the ball from the balcony on to the field house floor.

Now, Louie, I have just received a telephone call from Pat Mason saying that the brothers out at Rockhurst are throwing a big banquet for his footballers on the night you play here, the 15th of January, and he cannot work the game. I asked him to write you and notify you, and I am doing the same.

Whom do you wish as an official for this game? Will you write me at once and let me know so that I can get the man whom you desire. Have you ever used Ab Hinshaw? E. C. Quigley was to work our game with Washburn the other night, but since he was ill we were going to use Reeves Peters and Ab Hinshaw, but Heinie Quigley could work so we used Reeves. However, Hinshaw and Peters worked our Washburn game at Topeka and both did very acceptable work.

Thanks for an early reply. Good luck to you.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

LAWRENCE

DIVISION OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND  
INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

January 3, 1938.

Coach Louis E. Menze,  
Iowa State College,  
Ames, Iowa.

Dear Louie:

Would you be kind enough to  
send us an extra copy of the Big Six basketball  
interpretations? We have misplaced the copy you  
sent recently.

Sincerely yours,

James C. Allen<sup>at</sup>

Director of Physical Education.

Dear Dad:  
Enclosed are a couple  
of copies of the Big 6  
interpretations.  
Sorry about the Drake  
game. Hadn't seen them  
before or I might have  
been better able to warn  
you. Probably a good thing for the  
team.  
Sincerely  
Louie



January 6, 1938.

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

Dear George:

Thank you for your good letter of the 6th explaining why it would be impracticable to play our B team games this year.

I would like very much to have B team competition and I know full well that if we could schedule Missouri with our B team our plan would be assured of success. However, we are hanging on in good shape, and I believe that if you and I can work out some sort of a system to play B team games next year it will be necessary to carry but a few more men to make the ball games successful at both places. We could have the agreement that any of the boys that played only part of the time in the A game could also enter the B game.

I will be happy to talk with you regarding the plan for next year. We can do all of this in the spring.

Thanking you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI  
COLUMBIA

January 6, 1937.

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

Dear Dr. Allen:

It seems best that all negotiations for an exchange of B team games be called off for this season. The reasons are a little involved and would take too much space here so I'll explain fully when you bring your varsity here.

I have hopes of continuing B team competition next year. If you have a similar plan be sure to reserve a place for us. We ought to settle everything in the spring.

Yours truly,

*Geo. R. Edwards.*

George R. Edwards.



The University of Oklahoma  
Norman, Oklahoma

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

Jan. 5, 1938

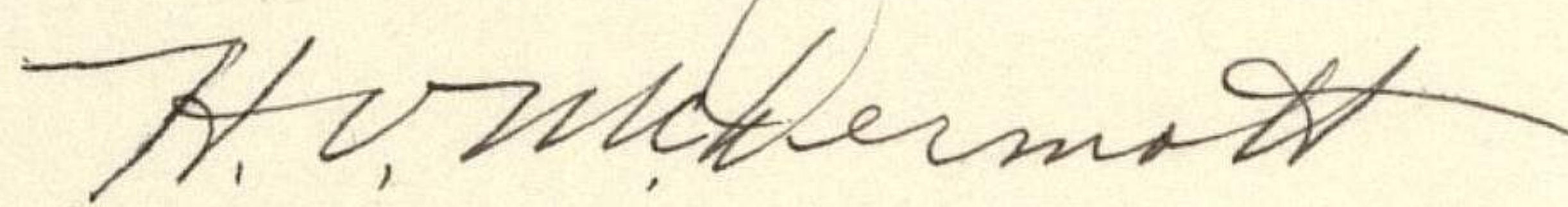
Dr. F. C. Allen  
Director of Athletics  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Phog:

I have been trying out these Bask-o-  
lite goals and find they will not stay  
in working condition, so this is to  
notify you that we are using the reg-  
ulation goals.

Please keep the score under 63.

Sincerely yours,



H. V. McDermott

S.L.

HVMc/sl



January 8, 1938.

Mr. H. V. McDermott,  
Basketball Coach,  
University of Oklahoma,  
Norman, Oklahoma.

Dear Mac:

Congratulations, you old Scotchman! You really took us for a buggy ride, and it was a sweet one to win, I admit. I get a great kick out of winning a ball game like that.

Mac, there is one thing that our boys complained of, but it is no alibi although it might be a good one. You have no numbers on the front of any of your jerseys. The boys came to me between halves and complained that it made it very difficult for them to follow your men.

Apparently something had its effect on the boys, but I don't think it was the numbers alone. However, since there is a conference ruling that the numbers should be on the front of the jerseys, I would appreciate your having them on when we meet you next time, and if you will kindly sew a couple of straps on each pair of your boys' trousers we might be able to hold on to them.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



January 8, 1938.

Mr. Louis E. Menze,  
Basketball Coach,  
Iowa State College,  
Ames, Iowa.

Dear Louie:

When we played Oklahoma last night Oklahoma failed to have any numbers at all on the front of their jerseys. This is very confusing to our defensive men.

I am only writing you as secretary so that you can protect yourself and the other schools that Oklahoma meets, if possible. I am enclosing a copy of a letter that I am writing Mac so that you can see I am taking it up directly, but I believe that the other team should be protected.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH  
Enc.



January 11, 1938.

Coach Louis E. Menze,  
Iowa State College,  
Ames, Iowa.

Dear Louie:

Answering your good letter of January 7th, beg to state that I saw Frank Root at our game here with Oklahoma Friday night, and he stated that they have Bask-O-Lite goals now at Kansas State.

Congratulations on your fine victory over Kansas State.

We had the ball game with Oklahoma sowed up four points in the lead with two minutes to go, and the boys turned around and not only lost the ball game, but they threw it away. This was no surprise to me. We have a group that doesn't do much thinking right now.

It looks as if your ball club will do pretty well this year, and I am very happy. Congratulations to Bob for his fine work against Kansas State.

With our best regards to Mattie and Keith, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



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DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION  
FOR MEN

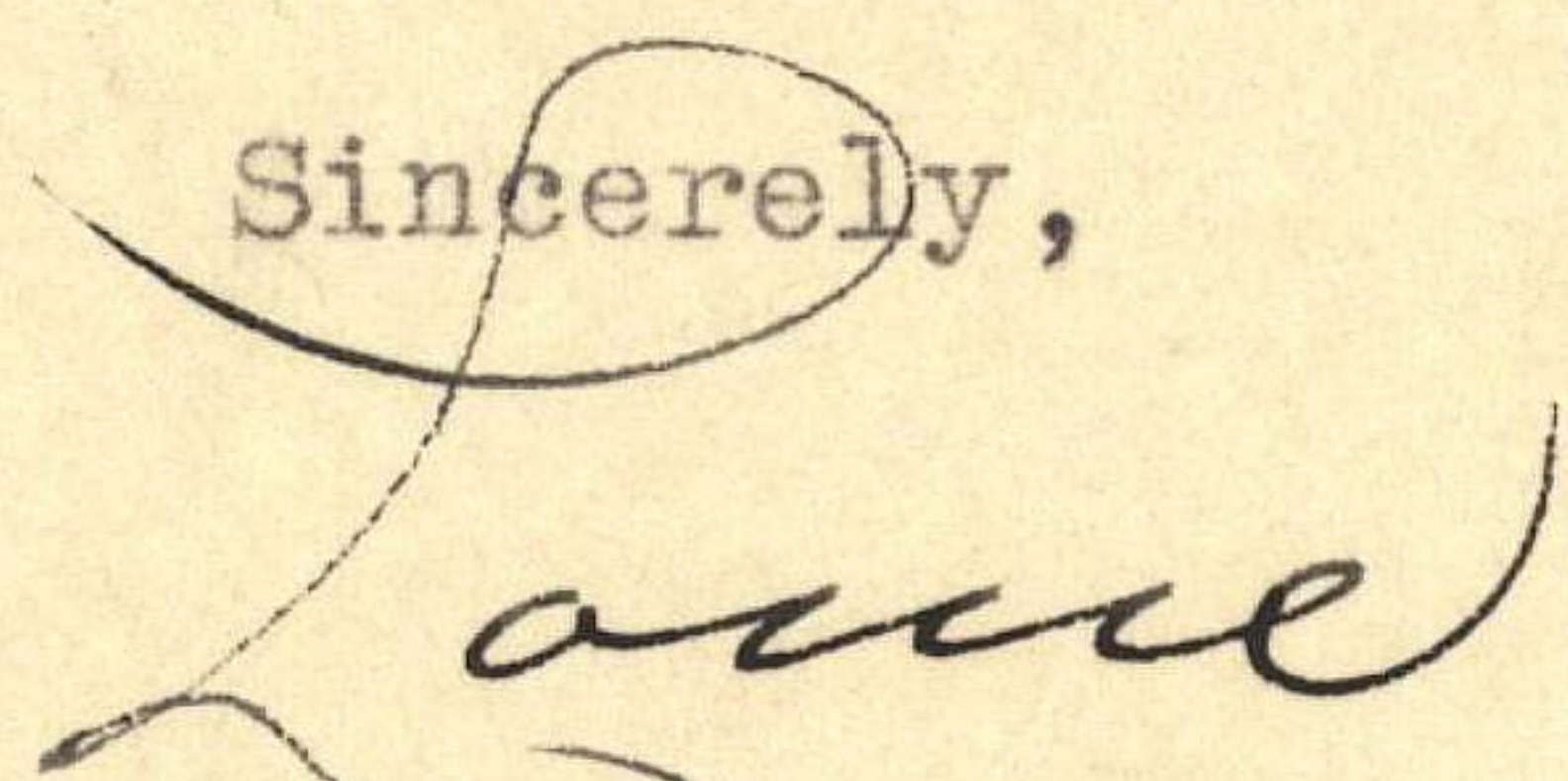
January 7, 1938

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

Dear Doc:

All of the Big Six coaches are using the Bask-O-Lite goals with the exception of Kansas State. They are using regular goals but it is satisfactory with them to use the Bask-O-Lite goals in Kansas State games they are playing away from home.

Sincerely,



L. E. Menze  
Basketball Coach

LEM:JH



January 11, 1938.

Coach Louis E. Menze,  
Iowa State College,  
Ames, Iowa.

Dear Louis:

I just want to mention the fact that at our  
conference game with Oklahoma the other night the officials  
did not signify the men making fouls.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



January 11, 1938.

Coach H. V. McDermott,  
University of Oklahoma,  
Norman, Oklahoma.

Dear Mac:

As per our agreement, we are expecting to use  
the Bask-O-Lite goals at Norman on February 18th.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.



January 11, 1938.

Coach Louis E. Menzo,  
Iowa State College,  
Ames, Iowa.

Dear Louis:

I have just called Owen (Chili) Cochran at Manhattan, and he states that he is quite positive he is free Saturday night. He is to notify me when we get to Manhattan, but I wanted you to know that we have tentatively hired him.

He was at home when I called him, and he said his schedule was at the college, but he was quite sure that he could work, so we will just say Peters and Cochran. If anything should happen I will notify you.

Now, in the line of the old foxy coaches, like Elmer Berg and Hugh McDermott -- "Now, Louis, don't be too hard on us". Isn't that a terrible line for me to put out to you, Louis?

Until Saturday, when I'll be seeing you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

cc to Owen Cochran



IOWA STATE COLLEGE  
OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS  
AMES, IOWA

1/8/38

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION  
FOR MEN

Dear Dad:

Sorry that Pat  
can't work in our  
game Saturday. The  
following will be  
key with me: Pat,  
Carroll, Chili, Cochran,  
Louis House. I do not  
believe I would care  
for Hinshaw. If you  
cannot get one of the  
four I mentioned, get  
anybody you feel is a  
good official.  
I'd like to see you had  
a tough one last night.  
Don't know what to  
expect tonight. Hope the  
winter isn't too long  
for me. Sincerely  
Louie.



Columbia, Mo.  
January 13, 1938.

W. H. Browne,  
Dr. F. C. Allen,  
Hugh McDermott,  
Frank Root,  
Louis Menze.

Gentlemen:

It appears that I have thrown a wrench into the machinery with regard to the use of Bask-O-Lite goals. At our meeting I expressed a favorable opinion for the use of these baskets, but only Dr. Allen seemed to have the same idea. The others wanted a further test.

The pair of goals we had were loaned on a 30 day trial. Actually we kept them about six weeks hoping to find out what the other schools wished. With no news available and a decision necessary we decided to return the baskets.

Today a letter from Menze says that all other schools have installed the new baskets. It rather puts me out on a limb for Missouri is the only one not using the new goals after its coach had urged their adoption. This report was transmitted to our business manager who says that the decision not to buy this year will not be changed.

From a playing or shooting viewpoint I think that a team will do as well with one basket as with the other. Where Bask-O-Lite goals are installed there will be no need to change to the old type as far as Missouri is concerned, but in Columbia all games will be played with old type baskets. To say the least, this lack of uniformity is not wise, but there is no way open now for me to correct it.

In the two Colorado games here last week we installed an adaptation which gave satisfaction. A red light was placed above each back board with a manually operated switch at the scorers bench. A student closed the switch as the ball dropped through the basket. With very little practice the boys imitated the flash of the Bask-O-Lite goal with such accuracy that most spectators did not know of the change. We plan to use this signal in all games this year.

Should several of the conference members protest our use of the old type goals I will request a reconsideration of our decision. Please let me know for I am anxious each of you be satisfied.

Yours truly,

*George R. Edwards*  
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THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS  
LAWRENCE

January 18, 1933.

Coach W. B. Brown, University of Nebraska, Lincoln  
Coach H. V. McDermott, University of Oklahoma, Norman  
Coach Frank Root, Kansas State College, Manhattan  
Coach Louis E. Menze, Iowa State College, Ames  
Coach George R. Edwards, University of Missouri, Columbia

Gentlemen:

In reply to Frank P. Root's circular letter, dated January 15, beg to state that I had a talk with Coach Louis Menze when Iowa State played Kansas at Lawrence on the 15th of January, and it was his feeling that the Big Six coaches had endorsed the Bask-O-Lite goal for this year, and it was only when any of the coaches that did not use the Bask-O-Lite goal in the beginning desired to use the other type of goal that the home team would change.

As I got it from Mr. Menze, the Bask-O-Lite goal was agreed upon by all the coaches present, and the reason for the wording was that there was a question whether Iowa State would be able to install the goals. It is my feeling that the Big Six Conference coaches did approve the Bask-O-Lite goal, and it is also my feeling that we will use the Bask-O-Lite goal on all of our home games.

The Bask-O-Lite goal has been declared by the Rules Committee as an official goal. I see no reason why a different goal should not be used if it is official just the same as a different ball is used when the various balls are official.

I have written Mr. Edwards that we would not object to using the regular goals at Columbia because of the fact that the business manager at the University of Missouri has refused to purchase them for him.

Mr. McDermott has agreed to use the Bask-O-Lite goal at Norman and we are expecting that he will do that. We used the Bask-O-Lite goal at Kansas State and we desire to use it here at Lawrence in all of our games.

I am hoping that the unanimous agreement that we had at Kansas City will hold for this year.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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January 15, 1938

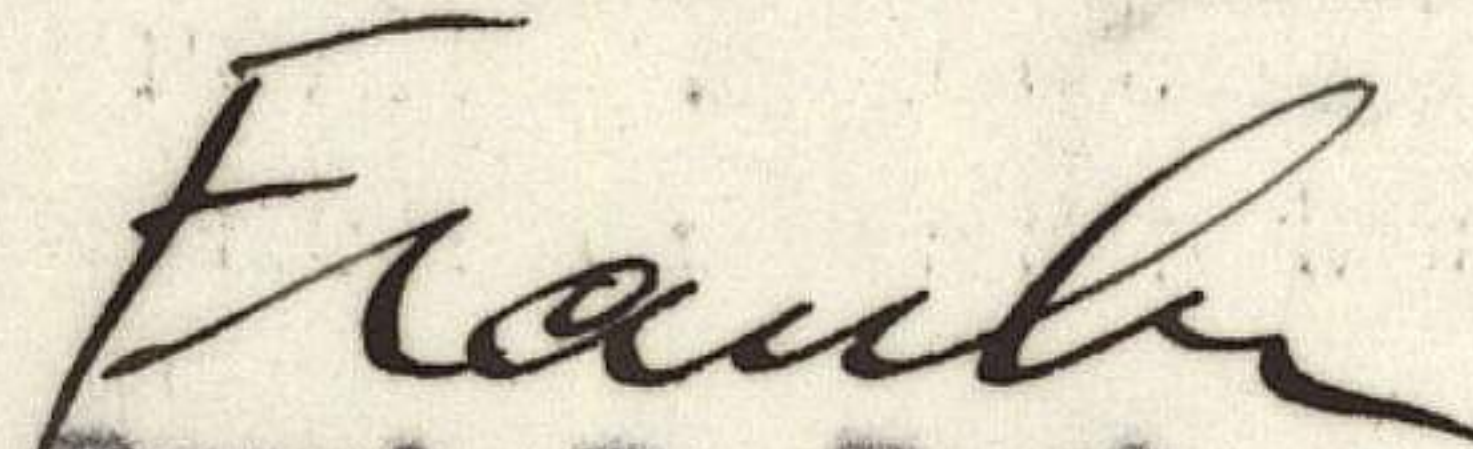
Coach Brown  
Coach Allen  
Coach McDermott  
Coach Menze  
Coach Edwards

Gentlemen:

At Lincoln, Nebraska the evening of January 14, Mr. Brown Mr. Edwards, and myself agreed to use the old standard baskets in our games. I am very much in hopes that Mr. Menze, Mr. Allen, and Mr. McDermott will concur both at home and here in the use, for the rest of this year, of the old official basket specified in Rule 3, Section 1, in spite of the fact that the note under Rule 3 allows for the return to Dr. Naismith's original peach basket with light flashing equipment. If any of you insist I will be glad to comply with your request, but on your courts I want the old type basket, and would like a few days notice if you want the new double-ring basket when you play here.

As far as I am concerned I have a set of the newest thing in electrically equipped basketball goals for sale and cheap.

Very truly yours,

  
Frank P. Root  
Coach of Basketball

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