

June 26, 1940.

Mr. Leo D. Jones,  
217 Harrison St.,  
Council Bluff, Iowa.

Dear Leo:

I was mighty happy to hear from you in your letter of the 13th instant. Yes, it has been a long time, hasn't it, Leo, since we have seen each other.

I note that you have a son graduating from the high school this year. He certainly is a dandy - 255 pounds and 18 years of age.

You doubtless know that I am not director of athletics, but director of physical education. Mr. Gwinn Henry is director of athletics. Victor Hurt, who was one of Gwinn's halfbacks at the College of Emporia, is Gwinn's right hand man here. I showed your letter to them, and while they would like to get your son down here, there is a consideration of tuition which happens to be three times as large as the tuition for the residents of the state of Kansas. That almost defeats the problem of bringing boys from outside of the state.

Our policy, so far as I am concerned, is to encourage boys in the state to take advantage of the reduced rate. I am afraid Nebraska would be in a position to offer a more enticing proposition than Kansas. So I believe, Leo, that you would get a better proposition from Nebraska or Iowa than you could get from Kansas because the boys here in this state are not putting out very much; in fact, I do not have a basketball player that is getting any special dispensation. I choose the boys who select the University for itself, and then I work on their eligibility and their fundamentals.

I am sorry indeed to learn of the loss of your ten year old son. Only those who have experienced such things can understand.

We have a very excellent department of music in our School of Fine Arts, but again there is no great income from that source.

With all good wishes and sincerest regards, I am

Faithfully yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,