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Dear Henry:

I fear very much that we are nearing the abrogation point in our basketball games. I can see the point you are making, namely, that our game does not have any bearing whatsoever on the sale of a student ticket. But, our athletic body feels that since they have been playing this game under this contract, that they are not willing to play without their share of student ticket income.

If anything had arisen which would make Kansas less of a drawing card in this series, then the reasoning on your part might be justifiable. On the other hand, this series of games has perhaps been the high light in this part of the country.

As Mr. Falkenstein wrote you, we play under this arrangement in our Big Six Conference and there are schools on our membership that pay us more than you have paid us on this arrangement. And, on the other hand, we pay them only the guarantee on account of the limited seating capacity that we have.

Yet, it is Kansas playing at their place and at your place that helps in making an attractive schedule. So, we do not feel but what we're entitled to a part of the student ticket income since we help in an attractive schedule at your place. It seems to us that it would be just as logical for Nebraska, Missouri, or Oklahoma to write us that they would be willing to pay us a cash flat guarantee, rather than to continue the agreement that they have been operating on.

Kansas has had a fairly respectable reputation in basketball for a number of years, yet, we did not endeavor to capitalize on that reputation when we brought our Sophomore team down to Stillwater to play you two games to open your field house. I'm sure that you could appreciate our position a bit in being willing to give rather than take in this matter.