

Seeing that Miller could not go back, E. A. Thomas, executive secretary of the Kansas State High School Athletic Association, came up in the balcony and asked me if I would go down in the dressing room and work on Ralph Miller, that he was injured badly. I had been sitting with Mrs. Allen and had not mingled with the high school boys in the dressing room. I gladly went down there and was able to fix Miller up so that he went in to the second half and scored 26 points against the Hays team, to win for Chanute.

After Chanute won the state championship, the Chanute Chamber of Commerce invited me down as a special guest, but I had a date to go to New York to attend the national rules meeting, and could not be present.

I knew that many schools were angling for Miller's services, but I did not use my advantage to endeavor to entice him to K. U.

Year before last I was down at Pittsburg, Kansas, speaking at a banquet at Pittsburg Teachers College. George Nettels was in attendance, and we came upon E. A. Thomas and Mr. Harold Miller, the father of Ralph, down at the Besse Hotel at Pittsburg. Mr. Miller stated to me then that he expected to send Ralph to K.U. and I told him I greatly appreciated it.

From every angle I learned that Ralph expected to go to K.U. It was authoritatively stated this past spring and summer that Tulane, the University of Southern California, Stanford, Northwestern, and George Washington University had made him exceptional offers. Ralph's father told me that John Bunn had personally paid his fee out there at Stanford to keep him eligible for entrance. Every student has to pay a certain entrance fee to be eligible for enrollment in the fall. Miller did not pay it, but John paid it to keep him eligible.

One of John's boys from Topeka named Page, a practicing attorney, this summer came down to Chanute and asked Ralph where he was going. Ralph told him he was going to Kansas. Page said, "Well, if you could go to Stanford it wouldn't cost you a penny, and you could still make money on the side." Ralph told him he definitely decided on Kansas.

Then a fellow named Butts, a very wealthy Stanford man from Wichita, drove over from Wichita and told Ralph that there was a very wealthy judge out at Oakland, California, that handled the money for the Stanford boys, and all the tuition, books and everything would be paid, and that Ralph could get a job in John Bunn's office for spending money, and all transportation to California and back to look over the place would be provided Miller if he would but make the trip.