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Dear Mac:

I was sorry that I had such a short opportunity to visit with you and Helen, but it was good to see you even for that short time. Bess and I are leaving Saturday morning early for Kirksville, Missouri where we will attend their homecoming and I am to speak at their homecoming banquet. It will be a lot of fun to see some of those old timers at Kirksville who were very fond of me in the earlier days.

Thanks for your wonderful invitation. Bess and I have been declaring that we were going to make that said visit, but it seems as if old people get busier everyday.

I am to speak at Toledo, Ohio on November 1 and Bess is going to drive up with me. Then we will drive down to see the Northwestern-Minnesota game on the second, and then we go over to Shoreland, Wisconsin, just out of Milwaukee, for a meeting on the 7th. I have to be back here for the 8th to officiate at a game at Haskell, and of course, will be here on the 9th for our homecoming with Oklahoma.

I guess we are going to have to do some night driving to get back from Milwaukee in time. We plan to do a little visiting with Jane in Chicago in the meantime. She is with the American Art Institute there and seems to be enjoying her stay in Chicago very much.

I trust that your family is getting along splendidly, and that you and Helen are enjoying life in the extreme. Really, I have not been in Kansas City at all this fall, not once. I have been wanting to run in to see Gene Zachman, and of course, when I do I will give you a ring and have a short and pleasant chat with you.

I do not like these alphabetical guys that want all the money. While in Chicago I am going to see the good Major, John L. Griffith, and as it is my habit, I expect to speak my mind pretty clearly regarding the group of fellows who want to give you the honor of working hard and they keep the money. You will understand, Mac, I do not want it for myself, but I do believe that people come to see teams play and not alphabetical big wigs who enjoy the glow of realm--in other words, filthy lucre.

I am still hard to get along with, Mac, but I will not be so when I drink that red soda with you.

Sincerely yours,

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