

February 16, 1939.

Mr. George Nettels,
Pittsburg Coal Mining Co.,
Pittsburg, Kansas.

Dear George:

I am sending you a carbon copy of an article that Gene "Distemper" Kemper wrote a couple of weeks ago in the Topoka paper. You can see by the article that Leslie and the other boys are still together in their quest.

Far be it from me to try to rebut any of your Emporia friend's statements, but I would like for you some time to talk to Guy Keeler or Harold Ingham on the other side of the question. This is said modestly and confidentially, and I am just repeating what Harold Ingham and Guy Keeler told me, so you can take it for what it is worth. Of course, you hear the bloodhound's side of the rabble. This other side is the school man's side.

Harold Ingham told me less than two months ago that I was stronger by fifty per cent in the state than I had ever been in my life. He covers the state with his extension course, and this was his statement. Guy Keeler told me that after the Board of Regents fired me as they did that the school men of the state were up in arms. This is his statement. He said that in their opinion I was the only so-called educator in the group in this department and when they let me go, as far as they were concerned, they weren't interested in sending the boys from their schools to the University. Then they said they would let the Chancellor know, and in emphatic terms. I don't know whether there is any truth in this statement or not, but some time when you get a chance to talk to Harold Ingham and Guy Keeler it might be well for you to query them on the subject. They would know more about it than I would, of course. And the way they expressed themselves, I think they would be happy to say to anyone what they said to me.

It was good to see you and have a visit with you, and I thought since this chap at Emporia thought I might lose by two hundred thousand majority it might be worth while to pass it on to you, not that you needed any of it, but I thought you might want to use it.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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