

May 11, 1938.

The K. U. Athletic Board:

Professor W. W. Davis, Chairman
Mr. Gwinn Henry, Director of Athletics,
Mr. Karl Klooz, Treasurer.

Gentlemen:

We, the undersigned freshmen, respectfully petition the Athletic Board to continue baseball as a varsity sport at the University of Kansas for the coming years. We feel that we have much good material in the University for the future, and we greatly desire the continuation of one of our favorite major sports in intercollegiate competition.

We have refrained from playing with the Ban Johnson team here in Lawrence because we desired to protect our eligibility for varsity competition, knowing that if we played with the Ban Johnson team before school was out it would ruin our chances of intercollegiate competition.

We feel that baseball is a fine sport, and should be continued as one of the major sports at the University. We realize that this sport costs money but it costs no more than any of the other major spring sports at the University, and we are confident that it is as well or better attended than any other spring sport in University competition.

We would appreciate your deep and serious consideration of this matter before you decide to discontinue the sport. Further, we would be happy if you would hear us as we would like to meet personally with you and express other important points that a petition reasonably could not contain on the desirability for continuation of our favorite sport.

Respectfully submitted,