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Mr. Dan Partner,
Sports Desk,
The Kansas City Star,
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Dear Dan:

I just returned from Cape Girardeau today and have your letter dated Monday. No, I am not planning to take a shot at Missouri athletics, although somebody could easily take them apart. The statement I made about big time subsidized football carries plenty without mentioning names.

Shades of Jim Bausch! Just think of it - back in 1930, when it happened in Columbia, Missouri, and Jim Bausch was getting \$75.00 a month for selling insurance, and he sold it, Dan. And to think of what is going on down there with the same outfit and the same men, only someone else is doing it. And Missouri is throwing out their chest and parading like a striped tiger under the effects of cocaine. But I can't be bothered about those guys down there. I will see what I can do about my basketball team.

Now answering your question about a staff member. You know, Dan, I keep just as far away from that gossip as possible. When people talk to me about any angle of our local situation I refuse to be drawn in the discussion. I can frankly say to you I know not one thing about it. There are so many rumors going around that about the only ones I hear are those that involve me.

Some time I will enjoy a chinning bee with you. I, of course, could tell you a lot of things that I would not write, but it is not about this football situation here. I, too, am sorry that I did not get to see you Friday night. But I will have an opportunity to prolong our visit. I always enjoy visiting with you. I will be in Kansas City on December 6th. I will not be there the night of the 5th as Mrs. Allen belongs to Friends in Council, the oldest women's club in Kansas, and since she is in the east visiting with Eleanor and Bob, I am going to take a couple of the members to the Friends in Council dinner which is the 70th anniversary of the club, - Mrs. E. H. Lindley and Mrs. R. D. O'Leary, Ted's mother.