

the scales at 170 pounds. He is a driver from the word "go" and his biggest weakness is on the defense, but I attribute that to the fact that the coach here last year used a strictly zone defense and now that the man-to-man is used, he sometimes forgets his obligations on the defense. He is sound fundamentally, however and that could be corrected adequately in a few lessons in Hoch or Robinson gymnasium. Mullin's family are farmers and he has been approached by Kansas State, but he definitely has not made up his mind.

The best prospect out in this country is this boy from Hoisington, Richard Harman. He stands about 6'4" and weighs in the neighborhood of 195. He is a straight "A" student and a honey of a competitor. He has a fine family and the father is an oil man although I don't know him. This week Great Bend defeated Hoisington by two points and this Harman boy was having himself a good night. He acted as if no one had any right to the rebounds except himself and by scoring nine points in the last quarter, he personally kept Hoisington in the ball game up to the gun. He got twenty points during the game and that is about his average for the season. Don't misunderstand me--I don't think that he could come to Lawrence and step into a starting berth, but he is head and shoulders the best potential prospect out in these parts. I would certainly like to see him in your capable hands for his future basketball career!

I was glad to hear that Johnny Pfitsch has a spot for next year. I am sure that he will do Midland College a lot of good. Please convey my regards to him if you see him. Also "hello" to Dean Nesmith and Mr. Quigley. I have no plans for the immediate future other than to write my thesis for that master's on Mount Oread early this summer. The rest of the vacation I hope to get my golf game back to its pre-war standard. I am looking into a few jobs and I hope I am not taking too much for granted by using your good name as a reference.

With best wishes to you and the ball club as well as to Mrs. Allen and to Mit and Bob when you write, I am,

Appreciatively yours,

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