

that Mr. Layton came to him for advice as to what school he should attend. Mr. Groe said that Layton was a boy who loved baseball, and that he knew he meant to make a profession of playing it. Mr. Groe advised Layton that he could not recommend any particular school, but that Layton would have to look over a number of colleges, and their records, to determine for himself where he would be most benefitted. Mr. Groe stated that he mentioned, among other schools, the University of Texas and the University of Oklahoma, and that he saw nothing unusual in the fact that Layton had selected the University of Oklahoma since Oklahoma has had a fine record in baseball over a period of years. Mr. Groe also said that the O.U. alumni group in Wichita was solidly behind their high school team and had taken a great interest in sports, even when they were not winners. He stated that he was personally glad they took an interest in boys who were on the athletic teams.

George Ritter, student at North High School -- My investigator found that the statements made by Mr. Ritter were practically identical with those made by Doug Brown. It was Ritter's understanding that the expense money was paid to Mr. Haskell and that he in turn wrote a check for the amount, paying it to the owner of the car.

George Powers, Wichita attorney -- My investigator reports on Mr. Powers as follows:

"I had a strong feeling that Mr. Powers had written a particular letter to Phog Allen. I explained to him over the telephone who I was and my purpose in being there and asked for an opportunity to talk with him. He told me to come to his office, and he would be glad to talk with me and glad to meet anyone from Oklahoma. He went on to say that he certainly did not have any information that would concern the situation because he knew absolutely nothing about it, and that furthermore he was not even interested in it and had never taken any interest in it because he had other things to do. I went to his office to see him and he told me the same thing, assuring me that he had never had anything to do with the situation. I asked his opinion on several matters and we talked back and forth for some time before I told him that I had a letter with me which I felt sure that he had written. I read the first paragraph of the letter then so that he would recognize if it he had written it. His face turned red. The paragraph I am referring to stated that the letter was of a confidential nature. Mr. Powers said, "Well it doesn't seem to be very confidential since you have it." He then admitted that he had written the letter and stated that it gave his views exactly. I could get no further information from him."

I wish to call your particular attention to paragraph 7 of the letter dated January 26th, and addressed to "Dear Phog", which said: "Incidentally, someone should talk to this Doug Brown about going to K.U., as no one has shown any interest in him as yet." It seems to me that the thing proposed by your alumnus and attorney in Wichita is exactly what some of the alumni of O.U. in Wichita have done, and that is to encourage these boys to go to their particular school. The alumnus writing this letter to Mr. Allen suggests that someone should talk to Doug Brown. He evidently suggests that Phog Allen do something about it. I am merely calling your attention to this statement to show that it is more or less the natural thing for an alumnus to want to interest a good athlete in his own university, and I feel that it is just as legal for the alumni of O.U. to do this thing as it is for the alumni of K.U.