

For Mr. Allen's information, Buster Mills, after graduating from the University of Oklahoma, played with Cleveland and not with the Boston Red Sox.

Mr. Allen refers to Mr. Noble, of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma, as the president of the Board and the chief athletic getter. I cannot help but feel some resentment in Mr. Allen's statement, since it contains no element of the truth. Mr. Noble is not president of the Board of Regents of the University of Oklahoma, and so far as I know, and I feel that I should know more about it than Mr. Allen, he has not interested himself in securing athletes for the University of Oklahoma. Mr. Noble is a very busy man, and although he is interested in all phases of University administration, he has made no attempt to run the affairs of the athletic department.

I realize that in these times it is exceedingly hard to keep irregularities from creeping into college athletics. Although the University of Oklahoma may not be sprouting wings, I do not believe that the University of Kansas is entirely free of suspicion. Mr. Haskell submitted to me a list of prominent Oklahoma athletes who made a fine athletic record at the University of Kansas. In that list were such athletes as Standifer and Earnest Bradley of Cherokee, Ad Lindsey of Kingfisher, the two Johnson brothers, great basketball players, from Oklahoma City, T. C. Bishop and T. P. Hunter of Oklahoma City, Tom Poor of McAlester, and Ormand Beach of Pawhuska. These are just a few of the many athletes who have gone to the University of Kansas from Oklahoma. In many instances alumni and friends of the University of Oklahoma have been very suspicious about these boys leaving under the very shadow of the University of Oklahoma to go to Kansas University. We have taken the position that if a student prefers to go to Kansas University or any other university rather than to come to the University of Oklahoma, it is his privilege to do so and we bid him Godé speed and hope that he makes a success. On the other hand, we certainly are not going to turn down a promising athlete because he happens to come from Kansas.

You must also remember that we have a great many graduates of the University of Oklahoma living in southern Kansas, and many of these graduates are loyal to their alma mater, and it is not surprising that some of them interest high school students in coming here.

I resent the statement made by Mr. George Powers of Wichita when interviewed by my investigator. He stated, after first denying that he had anything to do with the charges, that the University of Oklahoma had sent the investigator there merely for the purpose of whitewashing the whole situation. I want to repeat that I sent the investigator to Wichita to find out and report to me the true situation. I had given him no instructions other than to find the truth. The situation, as I have related it, is the situation as he found it.

In the light of all information now in my hands, I feel that I am in a position to arrive at reasonable conclusions concerning this situation. My conclusions are as follows:

1. No funds of the athletic department of the University of Oklahoma were used to defray the expense of bringing these boys to Norman.
2. The funds used to provide transportation from Wichita to Norman for four boys were provided by businessmen residing in Wichita, presumably alumni or friends of the University of Oklahoma.