

January 24, 1942.

Mr. George B. Powers,
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Dear George:

Thank you very much for your letter of the 23rd instant. I appreciate your interest in the matter.

Hap Haskell has been umpiring this semi-pro tournament there for a number of years. If you can get around the baseball boys and get some of the inside dope I know that you will find out the boy is getting his expenses paid by the Boston Red Sox, because whether he is signed up or not I have heard it on good authority that he is being taken care of at Oklahoma on this basis and that Jap Haskell made the arrangements.

I would like to show that Jap Haskell's activity in the semi-pro league there as an umpire and a scout for the Boston Red Sox carries over to such an extent that he is using his position to develop professional baseball players rather than amateur players, and the function of the University is not to develop professional players. Jap Haskell has a brother who works in the stockyards and since this controversy I am sure there has been much discussion. And since that discussion has been pretty general a keen legal mind like yours can pick up a lot of good stuff.

Monk Edwards may not care to talk but I am sure there are some professors at North High that would give you a lot of information regarding Oklahoma's activity with these football players in taking them to Norman a couple of weeks ago. There are a lot of Oklahoma and Kansas alumni in Wichita, and I would greatly appreciate all the information that you can get regarding their subsidization and proselyting. I expect to make Mr. Haskell hunt cover.

Anticipating the pleasure of seeing you in Wichita on the 2nd, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.