

January 14, 1943.

Mr. Dorman H. O'Leary,
Stern Brothers & Co.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Dorman:

I thought that you would pick the flaw in the plan to have Kansas play both games first. This is how it happened.

Jimmy Nixon called me and said that he hoped we could arrange it so Kansas would not play Great Lakes until Saturday night because if Kansas played Great Lakes Friday night the crowd interest would be over and we would not draw half as well as if we could arrange it the other way. I realize that playing Great Lakes the second night will impair our chance of winning over Great Lakes, but Missouri had their arrangements to play Great Lakes first at Columbia, and the fact that Great Lakes had asked that they play the first night's game last, and their second night's game first to allow them to catch an early train caused me to accommodate them.

So it was just a series of circumstances, plus Jimmy Nixon's business acumen that prompted the arrangements. I did not explain all those things to everybody, but certainly Missouri is favored in every angle and Kansas, being supposedly the top team, is taking a deferred place. So the most rabid Missourian can only wonder why we are so courteous! This is the inside information which you need not pass on.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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