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Mr. Robert E. Allen,  
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Dear Bobby:

Your dandy letter arrived just in time. Mother gave it to me yesterday, and this morning I had several copies made so each one of the boys could carefully study it. I have one tacked up on the bulletin board with your diagram and the Aggie line-up, with all the plays. The extra copies have gone to Dean and when the boys are worked on Dean hands them a copy and lets them read it. Then when they come tonight to dress they will have plenty of time to read over the copy on the bulletin board.

The reason I had these copies made, rather than to post the original letter, was because of the fact that you wrote on both sides of the paper, and it is much easier for them to read when it is type-written and only on one side. The continuity of thought follows more rapidly.

Your analysis of A. & M. and the scouting notes are splendid and I greatly appreciate your taking the time to do it.

There is only one sour note in the preparation for the Oklahoma Aggies, and that is the fact that examinations have been changed from the original schedule. The examinations started yesterday, and today practically all of our boys are having two examinations this afternoon - one at 1:30 and one at 3:30. That gets them out at 5:30 and they will get no rest at the hotel. This is the first game that we have played for years when the boys have had no rest. I am feeling, however, that our morale should carry us over. I am hoping so, at least. Everybody is in a good mood and we are clicking both physically, emotionally and mentally. Of course, this might be the game that we get knocked off, but if we should it will never set us back to that low that we had before. There will be no caustic words when we lose because I know the boys will give their best.

I am glad that you are happy on account of the Kansas victories in the east. Some of those half-baked toady boys think only superiority resides in the east, and nothing west of the Hudson River.

With lots of love and luck to you, I am

Sincerely yours,