

November 17, 1942.

Mr. Robert E. Allen,
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Dear Bob:

I am sending you a postcard that I received from Philadelphia. Will you please tell Barney Sheridan, or you, whoever wrote this post card, to sign your name if you want a K.U. pennant? Now, I'll bet you say, "The old gentleman is getting smart in his old age," but remember, tomorrow is my birthday so I have got to feel young and frisky because I am 57.

Bobby, I thought that I would write you a short note and let you know that I am always delighted to read your letters that come regularly Tuesday morning.

We are practicing four nights a week - Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Our schedule is pretty long and arduous. I will send you the personnel of the outfit pretty soon. The way it shapes up now it looks as if Bill Brill will play guard with Ray Evans, and Schnellbacher will play forward with Charlie Black, and John Buescher will play quarterback.

Jean came down Sunday before last and we had a fine visit. She seemed to feel that it will be impossible to travel, but the Santa Fe people have told me emphatically that both the Pennsylvania Railway and the New York Central will have no difficulty in offering transportation. We will perhaps follow the same routine that we used on our New York trip before - ride the day coaches and stay in hotels at night. I received a letter from Ned Irish and he states that both the eastern railway companies have promised uninterrupted travel service. I imagine if a fellow tried to get a pullman he would have difficulty, but the day coaches afford the best under the conditions. Trains may be late but I believe if we plan on it and allow some extra time for delay that we will be able to make it in good shape.

Schnellbacher and Evans are both out for football and of course will not be released until after Thanksgiving Day. We play the freshmen on the first of December. We were to play the Fort Leavenworth Reception Center, Ted O'Sullivan's outfit, but they called off all their games. The Pre-Flight School at Iowa City also cancelled all their games, so there will be some readjustments in our schedule. To get one game before we play Jack Gardner's "Clippers", we will play the freshmen here the night of December 1.