

February 27, 1939.

Honorable Payne H. Ratner,  
Governor, State of Kansas,  
Topeka, Kansas.

Dear Governor Ratner:

We received your nice message explaining your inability to be present at the Kansas-Oklahoma basketball game last Saturday night, as due to a severe cold. This message was delivered by Wilbur Leonard.

I delivered your message to the team prior to their going on the court and I told them that the Governor had sent the message to the boys stating that he would be listening to the game and cheering for K. U., and that the Governor expected Kansas men to uphold the traditions of his and their great state. How well the boys responded you know. They gave a fine exhibition of their unwillingness to quit under the most trying circumstances.

We were sorry that you could not be here, but we want you to know that your thoughtfulness added much to the morale of this group just at the time when they needed it most - just before starting in to the game. Thank you for your thoughtfulness. We trust that the radio reception was good, and we hope that your cold is now on the way out.

With appreciation, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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