

1938-1939---BASKETBALL AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS---1938-1939

Lawrence, Kansas

Member of the Big Six Conference

The 1937-38 Final Big Six Standings

	W	L	Pct.	Pts.	Op.Pts.
KANSAS	9	1	.900	408	329
Oklahoma	8	2	.800	456	401
Missouri	4	6	.400	389	384
Nebraska	4	6	.400	388	383
Kansas State	3	7	.300	348	398
Iowa State	2	8	.200	295	389

1937-38 Kansas Record

Conference			Non-conference		
46	Oklahoma	49	38	Doane	23
33	Kansas State	21	36	Ottawa	17
31	Iowa State	17	41	Ottawa	35
37	Missouri	32	41	Baker	27
48	Nebraska	33	39	Southwestern	29
35	Kansas State	33	26	Morningside	21
41	Oklahoma	38	31	Washburn	15
31	Iowa State	23	28	Southwestern	24
50	Nebraska	47	29	Drake	34
56	Missouri	36	62	Washburn	33
For Season					
Won 9		Lost 1		Won 9 Lost 1	
		Won 18		Lost 2	

Lettermen Back

Lyman Corlis, guard	Dick Harp, guard
Fenlon Durand, guard	Carl Johnson, forward
Don Ebling, forward	Lester Kappelman, center
Loren Florell, forward	Wayne Nees, guard
George Golay, forward	Bruce Reid, forward

Lettermen Lost

Robert Hunt, forward	Sylvester Schmidt, center
Kirk Owen, guard	Nelson Sullivan, forward
Fred Pralle, guard	Ed Weinecke, guard

University of Kansas

Basketball Schedule

1938 - 1939

December	3 - Saturday	Warrensburg Teachers	at Lawrence
December	9 - Friday	Oklahoma A. & M.	Stillwater
December	10 - Saturday	Oklahoma A. & M.	Stillwater
December	16 - Friday	University of Texas	Austin
December	17 - Saturday	University of Texas	Austin
December	19 - Monday	Southern Methodist	Dallas
December	20 - Tuesday	Southern Methodist	Dallas
January	2 - Monday	Carleton College	Lawrence
January	7 - Saturday	University of Oklahoma	Norman
January	10 - Tuesday	Kansas State College	Lawrence
January	14 - Saturday	University of Nebraska	Lincoln
January	18 - Wednesday	University of Missouri	Lawrence
January	20 - Friday	Kansas State College	Manhattan
January	23 - Monday	Iowa State College	Ames
February	8 - Wednesday	Oklahoma A. & M.	Lawrence
February	10 - Friday	Washburn College	Topeka
February	14 - Tuesday	University of Nebraska	Lawrence
February	20 - Monday	Iowa State College	Lawrence
February	25 - Saturday	University of Oklahoma	Lawrence
March	2 - Thursday	University of Missouri	Columbia

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

BASKETBALL

Roster

Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Age	Exp.	Home
Allen, Robert	C	6'	168	19	0	Lawrence
Arnold, James	F	6'3½"	180	19	0	Downs
Corlis, Lyman	G	6'2"	175	21	2	Lawrence
Durand, Fenlon	G	6'2½"	186	20	2	Junction City
Ebling, Don	F	5'11"	164	20	1	Lindsborg
Engleman, Howard	F	6'½"	169	18	0	Arkansas City
Florell, Loren	F	6'4"	181	21	1	Topeka
Golay, George	F	6'3½"	184	20	2	Warrensburg, Mo.
Harp, Richard	G	6'2"	187	20	1	Kansas City, Kan.
Hogben, William	G	6'1"	166	18	0	Kansas City, Mo.
Jackson, Maurice	F	6'1"	160	19	0	Lawrence
Johnson, Carl	F	6'2½"	201	20	1	Kansas City, Mo.
Kappelman, Lester	C	6'	162	21	2	Lawrence
Kline, John	F	6'3"	183	19	0	Hutchinson
McCaslin, Weaver	C	6'1"	175	20	0	Kincaid
McKinley, William	G	6'½"	166	19	0	Kansas City, Mo.
Masoner, Paul	G	6'1"	186	20	1	Kansas City, Mo.
Messner, Kenneth	G	6'	173	19	0	Arkansas City
Miller, Ralph	F	6'1½"	175	19	0	Chanute
Nees, Wayne	G	5'11"	175	24	1	Brazil, Ind.
Reid, Bruce	F	6'1½"	180	20	1	Arkansas City
Sands, Jack	C	6'	165	19	0	Lawrence
Schaake, Ralph	G	6'3"	197	18	0	Williamstown
Voran, Bruce	C	6'½"	176	20	0	Pretty Prairie

The Jayhawk Coach

Dr. Forrest C. Allen

Twenty-two conference championships in 28 years of coaching is the record of Dr. Forrest C. Allen, basketball coach at the University of Kansas. He is the dean of basketball coaches in the United States, having been in the coaching game since 1908.

Dr. Allen played his high school basketball at Independence, Mo. and it was there that he first met Dr. James Naismith, inventor of the game of basketball, and coach at Kansas then.

In 1904 Dr. Allen entered the University of Kansas. During his college career, he lettered in basketball in 1905, 1906 and 1907 and in baseball in 1906 and 1907.

The following year, 1908, saw Dr. Allen off to a successful start as a coach, with a championship basketball team at K.U. His second Jayhawk team made even a better record in winning another championship the next year, marking up ten conference victories to two defeats.

The same season, Dr. Allen was coaching the Haskell Indian "National Aboriginal" team which won 19 of 24 games and the cage team of Baker University, 20 miles away.

This concluded Dr. Allen's coaching efforts for three years, while he pursued the study of medicine. In 1912 he became coach of all sports at Missouri State Teachers College at Warrensburg and his service as a coach has been continuous from that date.

In his first year at Warrensburg, Dr. Allen's football, basketball and baseball teams were undefeated and the basketball team started a series of championships which was unbroken during his seven years there.

In the fall of 1919 he became director of athletics at the University of Kansas, and before the basketball season was over was coaching that sport. Missouri was dominant in basketball at that time, but by 1922 the youthful Jayhawk mentor had brought Kansas up to a tie with the Tigers, each team losing a single game of the 16-game conference schedule.

The remaining six seasons of the old Missouri Valley conference yielded Kansas five championships, the one on 1923 without a defeat. This season was notable, also, as being in the midst of a winning streak of 34 consecutive conference games, ended, finally by Oklahoma, which in 1928 moved in championship position.

Oklahoma carried over its winning ways into the Big Six conference and held the leadership in 1929; Missouri won the next year; then Kansas, under Dr. Allen, swept the next four years. The 1935 championship went to Iowa State, coached by Louis Menze, a pupil of Dr. Allen's at Warrensburg.

In 1936 the Jayhawks blazed through their regular schedule without defeat, winning eighteen consecutive games. In the regional Olympic tryouts Kansas defeated Washburn and Oklahoma A. & M. to qualify for the semi-final eliminations.

In that series of games the Jayhawks played Utah State and won the first game, but at a great cost. Francis Kappelman, all-conference guard, suffered a deep cut across his knee, when he ran into a wire supporting one of the goals and was lost to the team. Without him Kansas could not keep pace with the sensationally shooting Utah State.

In 1937 Kansas and Nebraska tied for the championship and last year the Jayhawks were undisputed champions.

Dr. F.C. Allen's Basketball Coaching Record
(1= Championship.)

		Position	Games		Schools in Conference
			Won	Lost	
1908	University of Kansas	1	7	2	
1909	"	1	10	2	
1913	Warrensburg Teachers	1	16	0	
1914	"	1	16	2	
1915	"	1	16	0	
1916	"	1	16	2	
1917	"	1	16	1	
1918	"	1	16	1	
1919	"	1	16	1	
1920	University of Kansas	3	9	7	9
1921	"	4	9	9	9
1922	"	1*	15	1	9
1923	"	1	16	0	9
1924	"	1	15	1	9
1925	"	1	15	1	9
1926	"	1	16	2	10
1927	"	1	10	2	10
1928	"	4	9	9	10
1929	"	5	2	8	6
1930	"	2	7	3	6
1931	"	1	7	3	6
1932	"	1	7	3	6
1933	"	1	8	2	6
1934	"	1	9	1	6
1935	"	2	12	4	6
1936	"	1	10	0	6
1937	"	1*	8	2	6
1938	"	1	9	1	6

*Co-championship

University of Kansas

1937-38 Individual Records

Following are individual records for last season of those men who are back in action this year.

Individual Scoring

Player	No. Games Played	NON-CONFERENCE (Ten games)			CONFERENCE (Ten games)			Total Pts.	Ave.
		FG	FT	PTS.	FG	FT	PTS.		
Ebling, f	20	16	7	39	23	21	67	106	5.3
Golay, f	20	15	9	39	22	7	51	90	4.5
Harp, g	20	9	7	25	23	10	56	81	4.05
Corlis, f	18	15	9	39	8	4	20	59	3.3
Florell, f	16	15	4	34	5	3	13	47	2.9
Johnson, g	16	9	4	22	2	0	4	26	1.6
Reid, f-c	16	1	1	3	8	2	18	21	1.3

Personal Sketches
University of Kansas Basketball
1938-1939

ALLEN, ROBERT- center or guard- 19 -home, Lawrence; graduate of Lawrence high school, 1937; coached by Edd Wood. One of the stars of last year's outstanding freshman team. Youngest son of Coach Forrest C. Allen. Has been playing basketball ever since his kindergarten days. A remarkable ball handler and all-around player. Likely to hold down the "quarter-back" position which his brother Milton played in 1935 and 1936. Can play any position, forward, center or guard, however.

CORLIS, LYMAN- guard- 21 -home, Lawrence; graduate of Topeka high school, 1935; coached by "Buck" Weaver. A two letter man at forward, he has been shifted to guard to fill the vacancy left by the graduation of Fred Pralle, Kansas' all-American guard. Is showing up even better at guard than he did at forward. A real scoring guard and a fine rebounder on defense. In the starting lineup a number of times last year.

DURAND, FENLON- guard- 20 -home, Junction City; graduate of Junction City high school, 1935; played under Coach Henry Shenk, highly successful former Lawrence high school and K.U. star. Durand has lettered the past two years in basketball and track. Tall and well built.

EBLING, DONALD- forward or center- 20 -home, Lindsborg; graduate of Lindsborg high school, 1936; prepped by Coach O.C. Ostenberg. Brother of Ray Ebling, Kansas' all-American forward who graduated in 1936. The big surprise of the 1937-38 season. Worked his way up from the third team to a starring role on the championship quintet. The team's second high scorer last year. One of the hardest workers on the squad. Is polishing up his game and should rank with the best this season.

ENGLEMAN, HOWARD- forward- 18 -home, Arkansas City; graduate of Arkansas City high school, 1937; played under Coach Everett Nicholson. One of the two scoring sensations on last year's brilliant freshman team. Made seven field goals in the game with the varsity last year. Was an exceptional scorer in high school and is looking even better at K.U. Has an uncanny eye for the basket and unusual ability at worming his way under the basket for setups.

FLORELL, LOREN- forward- 21 -home, Topeka; graduate of Topeka high school, 1935; played under Coach "Buck" Weaver, along with Corlis. Attended Washburn College a year after graduating from Topeka high. Then transferred to K.U. Won a letter last year. The tallest man on the squad at 6'4". Very impressive in early workouts this season. A remarkable long shot and cannot be stopped when he is hot.

GOLAY, GEORGE- forward- 20 -home, Warrensburg, Mo.; graduate of Warrensburg high school, 1935; coached by "Bud" Kennedy, whose father, Dr. A.R. Kennedy, was football coach at K.U. from 1904 to 1911. A first string forward part of the time last year. Has lettered twice, but appears to have just found himself. A whirlwind in the early practices, Golay may be the outstanding man on the team this season. His height makes him dangerous around the basket and his all-around play is much improved.

HARP, RICHARD- guard- 20 -home, Kansas City, Kan.; graduate of Rosedale high school in Kansas City, 1936; coached by Roscoe Brown. On the basis

of his start last year, Harp should be one of the greatest Kansas guards of all time. As a sophomore he was one of the finest defensive guards in the country and his shooting won him the nickname of "Deadeye Dick". Awarded a place on the second all-conference team last year. Big and fast, he is the ideal guard. Always plays at a terrific pace.

JOHNSON, CARL- forward or guard- 20 -home, Kansas City, Mo.; graduate of Northeast high school in Kansas City, 1935; coached by Reeves Peters. Center on the Northeast team which won the state championship in 1935. A first string guard last year until he suffered a recurrence of an old knee injury. Equally good as a forward. A fine rebounder.

KAPPELMAN, LESTER- center or guard- 21 -home, Lawrence; graduate of Lawrence high school, 1935; coached by Edd Wood. Brother of Francis Kappelman, who starred on three Kansas basketball teams, finishing up in 1936. A fine ball handler. Has yet to miss a free throw while playing at K.U. Shortstop on the baseball team.

KLINE, JOHN- forward- 19 -home, Hutchinson; graduate of Hutchinson high school, 1936; prepped by Coach "Chop" Cairns. Attended Hutchinson Junior College a year after graduating from Hutchinson high. A rangy boy who is valuable for his rebounding ability. Good around the basket and a sophomore of considerable promise. A regular on the freshman team.

MESSNER, KENNETH- guard or center- 19 -home, Arkansas City; graduate of Arkansas City high school, 1937; played under Coach Everett Nicholson. A guard on the first freshman team last year. A high class defensive guard and a good long shot. Played center in high school.

MILLER, RALPH- guard- 19 -home, Chanute; graduate of Chanute high school, 1937; played under coaches Dale Skelton and Tony Lockyear. Averaged more than 19 points a game during his three years of high school basketball. Probably lost for the season, due to a knee injury.

NEES, WAYNE- guard- 24 -home, Brazil, Ind.; graduate of Brazil high school; coached by Harold Wheeler. Lettered last year in basketball and track and also was a member of the football squad. A burly guard who is rugged on defense and a good long shot on offense.

REID, BRUCE- forward- 20 -home, Arkansas City; graduate of Arkansas City high school, 1936; prepped by Coach Everett Nicholson. A "come through" player who plays his best basketball when the chips are down. An exceptionally smooth passer and ball handler. In the starting lineup for several games at the end of the season last year. Pretty accurate on Ray Ebling's old "scoop shot".

VORAN, BRUCE- center or guard- 20 -home, Pretty Prairie; graduate of Pretty Prairie high school, 1936; played under Coach Walter Graber. Captain of the Pretty Prairie team that won the state Class B championship in 1936. Kept out of action last year by a burn. In good shape again now and making an impression with his smooth ball handling.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS
6525 Sheridan Road
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

November 4, 1937

Mr. Forrest C. Allen
Basket ball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Sir:

Loyola University is interested in playing your basket ball team this year or during the next season. It would be appreciated if you could work us into your schedule, either at home or at Loyola.

If such a game is favorable with you, will you kindly forward possible dates? Hoping that full arrangements may be made, I remain,

Sincerely,

Leonard D. Sachs
Leonard D. Sachs
Athletic Director

LS:GW

November 9, 1937.

Mr. Leonard D. Sachs,
Athletic Director,
Loyola University,
6525 Sheridan Road,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Sir:

The schedule of the University of Kansas is completed for this year, but I am hopeful that we can arrange to play you next year, either in Lawrence or Chicago.

With every good wish, I am

Very sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education.

November 9, 1937

Mr. Justin S. Barry,
Basketball Coach,
University of Southern California,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Sam:

I am wondering on the possibility of arranging a home and home series of three basketball games at Los Angeles and at Lawrence. If we can arrange this on reciprocal terms, playing at Los Angeles one year and in Lawrence the following year, I think it would be fine.

We would, of course, very much like to play in Kansas City, but the conference rules prohibit that. Perhaps by the time we get the games arranged we will be able to move off that objection.

What are your vacation dates? Do you run in semesters or quarterly periods?

Our schedule is full for this year, but perhaps for 1939 and 1940 we could arrange some contests. I will be happy to hear from you.

Very cordially yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education.

December 2, 1937.

Coach Nibs Price,
University of California,
Berkeley, California.

Dear Nibs:

I am wondering what you would think of a series of three games between the University of California and the University of Kansas, to be played at the respective schools with a reciprocal guarantee.

I believe we could not only make the guarantee but make some money for our athletic associations. I would be glad to have your reaction in the matter.

Of course, your 1938 season is full, but I am wondering about playing in 1939 and 1940, or 1940 and 1941.

I trust you are well, and that your prospects are good for the future.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely yours,

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

FCA:AH

December 2, 1937.

Coach C. S. Edmundson,
University of Washington,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Heck:

I am wondering about scheduling a series of home and home games with the University of Washington and the University of Kansas, the first series to be played in Seattle, or Lawrence, as you might desire.

Your 1938 schedule is doubtless full, but I am wondering about 1939 or 1940.

I saw you play in the Garden and I thought you had a fine group of boys. I am very sure that we could make expenses and some additional money for the Athletic Association by a series of games between our state universities.

I would be glad to have your reaction in the matter.

Very sincerely yours,

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

FCA:AH

December 2, 1937.

Mr. J. Sam Barry,
Basketball Coach,
University of Southern California,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sam:

I am glad that you have both Indiana and Purdue on the Coast for this year and that you are going to play them in 1939 at your place.

I would like to take the boys to Los Angeles for a Christmas trip, and I am wondering how about playing your school in 1940 at either Los Angeles or here, and in 1941 at the second place.

When I was director of athletics I endeavored to hold down the expense and did not promote basketball unduly. I am now free to step out with my sport as any special sport coach can do, and for that reason I would like to schedule a game in L. A. We could play a series of three games at a reciprocal guarantee, and I am very sure that we could make some money at both places.

I would much prefer playing U.S.C., but if you find that it will be impractical for you, I am wondering if you can give me some information on U.C.L.A. I have only met Caddy Works one time and do not know him well enough to promote a home and home series. What is your notion of an arrangement with them in the event that you feel you could not schedule a home and home series?

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

FCA:AH

DEPARTMENT OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS
THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
LOS ANGELES

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

November 27, 1937

Mr. Forrest C. Allen,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Fog:

I will certainly ^{regret} that we will be unable to schedule a home and home series for 1939 and 1940 because we are under obligations to go back to Indiana and Purdue in 1939 after playing them on the Coast this year. I certainly would like to get together with you but it looks impossible at this time.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

J.M. Barry
Basketball Coach

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA



STEPHENS UNION
PHONE ASHBERRY 4800
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

December 7, 1937.

Mr. Forest C. Allen,
Basketball Coach,
University of Kansas,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Allen:

I received your letter of December 2 and am sure that your plan of three game series between the University of California and the University of Kansas could be worked out very well. We have very fine success with games we have played at home during the Christmas vacation and I am sure our part of it could be successfully played during Christmas vacation.

I think this thing should be talked over with the Graduate Manager and some arrangements worked out. At present he is in Pasadena arranging the Rose Bowl Game. He will be here after the first of the year. I am sure we could have some correspondence and work something out to your satisfaction.

Sincerely yours,

C. M. Price
C. M. Price
Head Basketball Coach.

CME/W

December 13, 1937.

Mr. C. S. Edmundson,
Basketball Coach,
University of Washington,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Rec:

Thank you very much for your good letter of the 9th instant. I will be glad to hear from your Athletic Director, Mr. Ray Eckman, when he returns from the Pacific Coast Conference annual meeting.

It will be a great pleasure to meet Washington in some future games, and if not 1939 and '40, maybe in 1940 and '41. It seems like the years slip by so rapidly that a year's delay doesn't make a lot of difference.

With kindest regards and best wishes for the Yuletide season, I am

Sincerely yours,

Varsity Basketball Coach,
Director of Physical Education.

FCA:AH

UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

December 9th, 1937

Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Varsity Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Allen:

I have received your interesting letter concerning the possibility of scheduling a home and home series of games with the University of Kansas. I rather like the idea personally and hope that such a plan may be consummated. However, at the present I have been given to understand negotiations are in some state of progress between Ohio State and ourselves for games here next year during the Christmas vacation.

I am forwarding your letter via campus mail to our Athletic Director, Mr. Ray Eckman, who is at the present time in California attending a Pacific Coast Conference annual meeting. He will be home in a day or two and undoubtedly you will hear from him through an early mail.

Very truly yours,

C. S. Edmundson

C. S. Edmundson, Basketball Coach

CE:JP

January 6, 1938.

Mr. Don Cooper,
Southwestern College,
Winfield, Kansas.

Dear Don:

Thanks for the check for \$300.00 covering guarantee for our game at Winfield on December 21, 1937. I am sorry, too, that the date was such that made it difficult on your students and your townspeople to attend.

However, we had such difficulty here in arranging our schedule that we had to take most any date that we could find. You see, they use the auditorium here for vespers, and that was the reason for playing four games on successive nights as those were the only four dates that we could have. It makes a very difficult situation here for us but we have to do the best we can.

Don, I am not sure about next year. We are planning on taking a trip away from Lawrence, and if we do, I am not sure that with our limitation of games we will be able to play you. However, I want you to know that we enjoyed the games and if we do not play you it will be because we have to pass the games around to other people.

When we count our conference games together with our trip games it about takes up our surplus.

Southwestern has a fine team, and I want to congratulate you and George Gardner on the fine sportsmanship of the boys and the wonderful behavior of your crowd. They were certainly genteel and sportsmanlike.

Wishing you continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH



Southwestern College

Winfield, Kansas

December 4, 1938

Dr. F. C. Allen
Director of Physical Education
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

Enclosed please find check for \$300.00 covering guarantee for our game in Winfield December 21st, 1937, I am sorry this is not larger. I am afraid we made a mistake not playing this game a week earlier. At the date we played we missed out on the students who were home on vacation, and many of the merchants from Winfield and surrounding community who were staying open nights for the christmas trade.

If we play next year, which I hope we do, we should remember these things and perhaps we both could make a nest egg for the season.

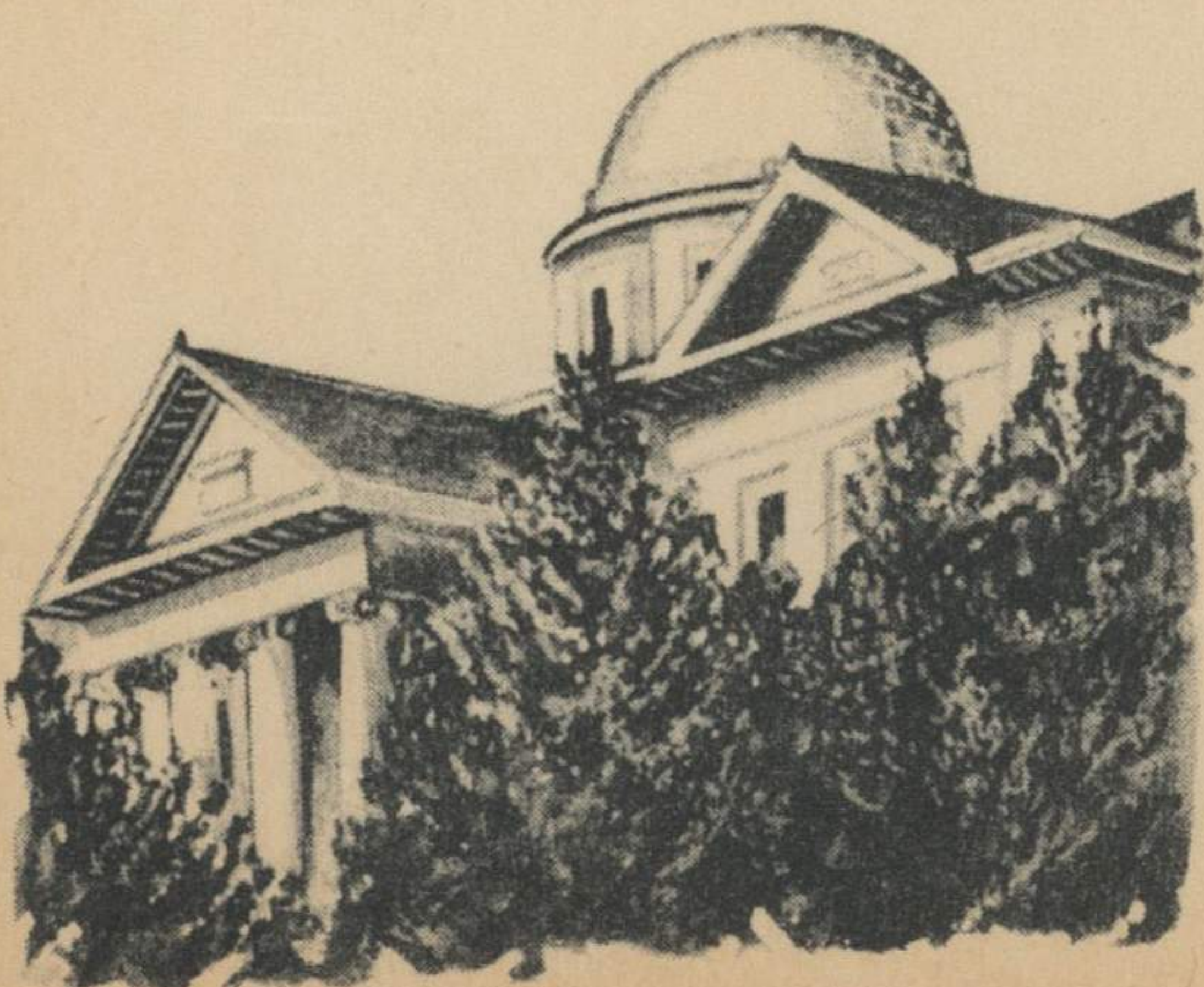
Our total receipts were \$424.80.

Wishing you the best of luck in the coming campaign, I am

Yours very truly,

Don Cooper
Director of Athletics

DC:AC



*Check given
to Mr. Fulbertson
1/6/38*