

11 March, 1946
High School
Great Bend, Kansas

Dr. F.C. Allen
Basketball Coach
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

Enclosed I am sending you a paper which gives a rather comprehensive account of the regional basketball tournament which was held here in Great Bend this past week. Great Bend upset the dope bucket by winning the "AA" bracket and beat two highly rated clubs in doing so.

On the back page of this sheet are the all-star selections of a local sports writer. I don't agree with him in every case, but he has included most of the good boys somewhere. I am taking the liberty of sending you this paper and marking the boys I think are potential college caliber. I tried to give consideration to size and competitiveness, plus the consideration of playing against competition which in many cases was inferior to their own ability.

I certainly wish you nothing but the very best in the game with the Oklahoma Aggies. I hope that they go back to the foothills convinced that this year is strictly Kansas.

I hope that you are able to see some of these boys in the state tournaments throughout the state and are able to contact them in a satisfactory way.

With kindest regards as always, I am,

Appreciatively yours,



Gerald K. Barker