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ANTHONY, KANSAS

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Dr. Forrest C. Allen
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen,

I thought it might be that you would attend the state basketball tournament at Salina this week end. If you should I would appreciate it if you would give our high school team the once over as I feel that we have some boys that will make good in college.

There are three or four that I am especially interested in seeing come to K. U. Horace Menasco is a senior this year so it is doubtful whether he will get to go to school as he was 18 in March. He is a student and the best football man we have ever had in school. He can kick, pass, run and block. He was picked on the Hutchinson paper on their all Class A team as a guard and I believe will make someone happy. Lee I am afraid is pretty small for college but was picked on the all class team and the Class A team as forward.

The three that I feel might be worth looking after are underclassmen and maybe by the time they get through high school the war will be over. Charles Truby is a freshman and in his first year has been outstanding in both football and basketball and with three more years of high school training should make a whiz. His Father went to Manhattan but I don't believe that would keep Charles from going to K. U. as his father came near coming up there with me in 1921. Ralph Menasco, a brother of Horace, is a sophomore and is developing fast in both football and basketball. He has the height and in two more years will have the weight. He has looked awful good. Victor Elliott has the height and weight but is handicapped by having lost the sight of one eye but he has been above the average in both sports as end on the football team and center on the basketball team. All of these boys will go to school some place if the war will let them.

Our Coach Wayne Gardner would like to see these boys pick K. U. and I thought if you happened to be over at Salina you might get a chance to speak to them as I know they would get a big kick out of meeting you personally and it might be the deciding factor in where they go to school.

Yours truly,

WHEN IN ANTHONY STOP AT THE HOTEL HOOPES

C. E. Hoopes