

July 27, 1942.

Mr. Otto Schnellbacher,
Sublette, Kansas.

Dear Otto:

On July 20th I received a letter from Coach Dorsey Elliott in regard to Vern Rutledge. He states that Vern wants to go to school and play basketball. Coach Gwinn Henry also received a letter from Coach Elliott stating that Vern wanted to play football, and wanted to know in what way Gwinn and I could help him.

In my letter I told him that "Otto Schnellbacher is in Sublette and I will ask Otto to get in touch with Vern, and since Otto is here at the University he can tell him just about what it will cost here at K. U. You know, Dorsey, the cost in any school is controlled by the individual student more than anyone else. If a kid cannot hold his expenses down and does not have good sales resistance, of course it will cost him a lot of money. But many boys have gone through the University of Kansas very cheaply and still have gotten a fine education."

Won't you write me, Otto, and tell me all about Vern Rutledge's athletic ability, both in football and basketball? Gwinn Henry was in the office this morning talking to me concerning his answering Elliott's letter. I answered on July 21, so I am anxious to hear from you and have you tell me if Dorsey Elliott is shopping around for Vern or if Vern really wants to come to school and help himself get an education. Coach Henry told me that it was his impression that some of the boys were flirting with Colorado schools out there.

Now, about yourself. How are you getting along, big fellow? Have you lined up in any of the reserves as yet? Someone was telling me that the report was out that you were figuring on enlisting in the active service at once, but there is only one way for me to find out and that is to write you. Drop me a line and let me hear from you.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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