

November 7, 1944.

Mr. E. C. Quigley,  
Director of Athletics.

Dear Ernie:

I am listing below some of the things that I would very much desire to have for my practice court. I would like the windows thoroughly painted on the south side. The sun's rays come in so strong there that it partially blinds the boys. Dell and Bun paint these but they just patch over the scaled spots.

I think a real good paint job over the entire window space would be helpful because in this this scales off and the sun's rays hit a fellow directly in the eye when he is about to see the ball.

Then I would like all the backboards painted with a coat of white paint. This could be done Sunday. If Dell couldn't do it, we have a young man, Everett Hill, who did the painting for Dell this summer. He is a varsity basketball player and a Lawrence boy, and Dell said that he was one of the best.

I am only listing these things so that you would know about them. You asked me to do so, and I am listing even the incidental things in order.

I would also like to diagram some floor plays on the gymnasium floor. We did this about ten years ago, using water color mixed with LePage's glue and it was very helpful to young boys learning the floor formation plays. Again, we can get Whitey Carlson and Everett Hill to do this, but I thought you would want to go through Dell in the usual way. Then if he says he can't do it, we will take care of it.

The important thing is that we would like to practice on the auditorium floor, having use of it from 3:30 on during the basketball season. This has never been permitted us in all the time that the auditorium has been used, yet it was the express purpose of the Chancellor when he appealed to the Legislature to build it, that it was to be used for a basketball court and an auditorium. We think that is manifestly unfair to our sport because the other five Big Six schools practice where they play their games. This makes us play on a semi-foreign court, and a foreign court away. This certainly is disadvantageous to the basketball interests of the University of Kansas.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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