

new teacher -  
I hope this letter  
describes the facts.  
why not look at a boy  
named Robert on the Olivet  
Team. Robert says he is one of the finest prospects he has seen.

Robert could give you some information.  
The Olivet team has been winning for years.  
R.A.N.

February 28, 1941

Mr. Paul Baker,  
Peabody,  
Kansas.

My dear Mr. Baker:-

I feel that I need no introduction to you because I have been told you are a Methodist, and there is always a bond of friendship between Methodists even if they have never met.

I have been told that you have a son who is contemplating attending Kansas University next year. I thought perhaps a word from me might be helpful in making your final decision in this matter.

I have been the Minister at the Methodist Church here in Lawrence, Kansas for ten years, and am in a position to know something about the moral and religious influences in and about the University. My son and daughter were graduated from Kansas University last June. My boy was on the basketball squad and made his letter, also made a letter playing shortstop on the University Baseball team. I know something about the scholastic standing of the school, also much of the background of the athletic set-up.

Dr. Forrest Allen, our Basket ball coach, is a member of the First Methodist Church, on the Official Board, and every fall for a period of time is a regular teacher in the University department of our Sunday School. I consider him one of the finest moral influences I have ever known in any athletic department of any school. My boy played under him and respects him highly. I have had occasion to watch him work with his boys many times and any boy will be more of a man when Dr. Allen gets through with him than before. There is a complete absence of roughness of speech and looseness of character many times found in the athletic programs of some schools. Dr. Allen attends the Methodist church and oftentimes is accompanied by some of his basket ball boys. Every year they are the guests of the church at a service in their honor.

Howard Engleman, Bobby Allen and Ralph Miller are members of the Methodist church here, and T.P. Hunter, (another member of the team) while not a member here never misses a Sunday service. Dr. Allen attracts the men of character.