

To many people reading your article they would take it that you have established the fact that wrong has been done to Hutchinson Junior College by the University. On the other hand, I think that you have done great wrong by making such a statement when you do not have the facts. If you have any, I would beg you to publish them and point out the miscreant. Otherwise, I believe the only fair thing would be for you to state the facts as they are. Is it not the first requisite in journalism that accuracy shall be paramount?

I assure you that I know none of my colleagues have made any advances to this young man, but if he desires to go to the University certainly no one should lay an obstacle in his way.

I am sorry that I have not had the pleasure of knowing you. I would like very much to sit with you at your desk and assure you that at no time have I written unsolicited letters to any athletes in the state, nor do I call upon any athletes in the state asking that they attend the University of Kansas. On the other hand, I have always felt that the state University -- yours and mine -- is an institution that any normal boy would hope sometime to attend. But I have always considered it improper, both for the boy's own good and for everybody else's, to make him feel that someone desires to give him a soft job to get him to attend. There are none of the boys on my basketball team at present who make as much as \$20.00 a month. Rather, I have chosen the students who desire to get an education and thereby stay eligible. These boys are the type of athletes that I desire to work with.

I assure you that I am not resentful about the things that you have said because I believe that the case has been misunderstood. I would prefer that you not print this correspondence as it is of a personal nature between you and me and I wanted to state my case fairly and frankly. I desired that you know that none of our coaches are endeavoring to entice Sollenberger away from Hutchinson Junior College, where he has made such an outstanding record. We, of course, have had no communication or correspondence with him.

With all good wishes to you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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