

December 3, 1942.

Mr. Gwinn Henry,
Director of Athletics,
University of Kansas.

Dear Director Henry:

Due to compulsory physical education for 1800 men students of the University, our basketball practice period has been badly dislocated. It is not now possible for our boys to practice Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons due to the physical conditioning program. After they eat their meal at home we cannot afford to indulge in strenuous basketball practice until one hour at least has elapsed after their meal. The intramural program for men is upon us with a heavy demand for the gymnasium space every evening hour. Therefore, I am submitting to you a program of our broken practice periods, and I am making a recommendation that an allowance be made for a small expenditure to pay for meals that they cannot eat at home on account of these conflicts.

On Monday, Wednesday and Friday the physical conditioning courses run from 8:30 in the morning until 5:20 in the afternoon. The earliest that we can get on the floor on these days is 5:20 or 5:30. On Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday afternoons we can have our former regular practice period, 5:30.

The boys at their organization houses eat in the evening at 6:15, and some at 6:30. The earliest that we can practice without injury to them after a meal would be at 7:30. A two-hour practice would bring it to 9:30, and by the time the boys shower and get home it is after 10 o'clock. This is too late to get much studying done and I fear their grades will suffer.

Therefore, I would like to ask that a simple meal be served them after their Monday, Wednesday and Friday practice. We could start after 5, get through at 7, eat at 7:30, then the boys could go to their studies and get a good evening's work done. I have talked to Miss Zipple and she is unable to serve us because her cook leaves at 7 o'clock or before. I have shopped around, and the Jayhawk Cafe at 14th and Ohio Street has made us an offer of 60¢ a meal for a small steak dinner. I have estimated the maximum number of men. We have at present 22, but I figure before long it may be down to 20, and maybe to 16. Figuring a maximum of 20, this would be \$36.00 a week, or \$144.00 per month, and three months at the outside would be \$432.00.