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Dr. F. C. Allen  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kans.

Dear Dr. Allen:

I saw in the paper recently that Kansas City has been awarded the whole set-up of games in this area in the national collegiate play-offs.

Naturally it was quite disappointing to us to be ignored in view of our effort last year.

Partly on the assumption that the games between the Missouri Valley and the Big Six leaders would be returned to Oklahoma City, the City Council purchased a \$5,000 elevated floor and has installed it in the downtown auditorium.

Our all-college tournament was played there last week and attracted 12,000 persons in three days. Everybody was well pleased with the tournament, and elated over the manner in which the new floor worked out.

It is not improbable that Oklahoma will have two of the teams in the Big Six and the Missouri Valley play-offs again this year, and we would like to have that part of the collegiate eliminations returned to us.

I realize that the arrangement under which last year's games were played was not entirely satisfactory, but we have improved conditions to such a point this year that even you would agree that the auditorium now is an ideal place for games of this importance.

It has occurred to me that you folks in the heart of the midlands are shoveling everything Kansas City's way. After all, there are some other good towns in the Missouri Valley and Big Six areas and I, personally, feel that you are giving us a kick in the pants and certainly making a mistake by giving everything to one city. Surely the finals are all that Kansas City is entitled to.

These observations are made to you in the belief that you will do the fair thing, at least in our eyes, and attempt to swing the Missouri Valley