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Mr. Bob Stedlery Sports Editor,  
The News,  
Buffalo, New York.

Dear Mr. Stedler:

Some time ago I wrote Ned Irish regarding a yarn that appeared in the Converse Basketball Yearbook in 1941, on page 31, under the caption "Grand Old Masters of Basketball". Back in 1905 the Kansas City Athletic Club played the Buffalo Germans in old Convention Hall in Kansas City. I happened to be the manager of the team and played right guard. The first game the Buffalo Germans won 40 to 36; the next game we won 38 to 20; and the last game, which Dr. James Naismith refereed and U. S. G. Plank of Haskell Institute, umpired, we won 45 to 14.

In looking at this picture of the Germans of 1903 I remember many of these players - Heerdt, Miller, Rhode, Faust, and others. Then looking at the picture of them as they are today I see Manweiler, Linneborn, the two Millers, and Al Heerdt. I remember all those boys we played against.

I will try to get my old scrapbook in the next day or two and will write you some of the angles as presented by the sports editor of the Kansas City Star written after those games.

It would be a pleasure for me to meet some of the old Germans either before or after our game in Buffalo. This is my 26th year of coaching here at the University of Kansas. But the Germans were in it longer than I was, so they should also show wear and tear.

If there is anything that I can give you to help along in the publicity it will be a pleasure.

Trusting to have the pleasure of meeting you in the very near future, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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