

December 2, 1942.

Mr. George Edwards,  
Basketball Coach,  
University of Missouri,  
Columbia, Missouri.

Dear George:

I acknowledge receipt of your two letters of November 29 and 30, and I am making additional explanations.

Earlier in the year Jack Gardner told me that if Iowa Pre-Flight could not play, his Air Base would come for expenses. When I met with him Monday in Kansas City I reminded him of that promise, but he countered by saying that that was early, and now since the Air Base has made Kansas City their home team headquarters he thought they were entitled to a full cut. I rather disagreed with him and told him that the Great Lakes team, Missouri and Kansas would share three ways after expenses were paid, but we would guarantee him \$150.00 a game.

When a team will have played as many games in the hall as Gardner's team has and when they are selling season tickets for all their games I do not believe that they will draw as much as any service team coming in for the first time, especially with the build up that Bernie Bierman's football team would have given the Pre-Flight school.

He agreed to come, and it is all set. I am making this explanation so that you will know the amount of money available to the University of Missouri.

I believe the reason that Mr. Lower called you often was due to the fact that Lt. Gardner was rather anxious to close for that date. I am writing a note to Tony Hinkle and sending him a carbon copy of the letter I have just written you so that he will know our final arrangements.

I will be happy to see you in Kansas City December 5th. We will stay at the Muehlebach Hotel.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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