

Regarding the post-season game, there is no definite time set as to when the basketball season shall end, but I presume that because the Oklahoma A. and M. game was scheduled after the close of our conference season, March 7, that certain members of the Board might have thought that the Oklahoma A. and M. game was a post-season game. It is not post-season any more than is the football game with Colorado State. This game is played after the Big Six football season closes with Missouri on November 21, but it is not post-season.

Furthermore, many people are of the opinion that the basketball practice season is long. When you consider that the first games are played on December 9 and 10 against Texas, then the Christmas recess begins on December 21, just 11 days after the Texas games, and school does not take up until January 6, then the first game with Oklahoma is played January 8, and on January 23 examinations begin and no games may be played during that period, then school does not start again until February 5, another two weeks of idleness, you can see that the basketball playing season is badly broken up.

From February 4 to March 11 is a little better than a month. The actual season then is not actually of two months duration. When you consider that eighteen games are scattered over a total elapsed time of over three months, it is not a difficult matter to see that the season is not very strenuous.

I want to assure you, Professor Davis, that I will never embarrass the Athletic Board by making tentative agreements with our opponents and then asking our Board to ratify the same. Every tentative agreement has been strictly in accordance with the rules of the Big Six.

Last year when the Washburn tournament misunderstanding came up, I had previously written letters asking that the Board take some action, and had they done so I would not have had the Big Six misunderstanding that we did have. I had not known that at a faculty meeting, which you did not attend but which Professor Jones attended, a motion was made to cut the allowable basketball games in the Big Six from 20 to 18. This word was not communicated by the faculty representative to the athletic directors, nor were the coaches informed by any authorized source, so it was perfectly natural and thinkable that we should plan on 20 games. *Committee*

Trusting that these explanations clear up any misunderstanding that the Board members might have had regarding rules of the Big Six Conference, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
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