

January 10, 1945.

Mr. Reaves Peters, Commissioner,
Big Six Conference,
342 So. Chelsen,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Reaves:

I certainly never have any complaint when a man acts from his own convictions. If you feel that no Kansas State man should work the games, that is o.k. with me.

Now, I have something else. Van Reen, down at Columbia, told Dean Corder that he had to stand still when he bassed the ball in from out of bounds. The rule is, of course, the ball has to be passed in from out of bounds three feet from the spot that it goes out. That means there is a six foot lane, three feet on either side, and the ball could be passed in from anywhere in that area. There is nothing to restrain that player who passes the ball in, from shooting or moving around in that six foot area, or moving away from the line six or eight feet back from the sideline.

I teach my men to do this and I see no reason why an official should tell one of my players he has to stand still. Van Reen and Lance worked a good game, but Mr. Van Reen is off on this point, and I wish that you would write him, if I am correct in my premise. I tell the boys always to tell me when anything like that comes up so that we can correct it. I said nothing to Van Reen, but I did want Van Reen to know that we objected to his decision and we are attempting to have it corrected.

Now, in regard to these signals. We are printing them in our program and of course we would want the officials to use them in the game. I presume that you have instructed all officials to follow the signals as outlined by you. We are seeing that the scorer gets them and that everyone in the audience is fully appraised of the signals so that they may enjoy the game to a greater extent.

I am passing on your letter to Earl Falkenstien so that he will be appraised of the expense money and also note the personnel of who will work the games.

I knew the professional promoters would get singed on this basketball venture. I am also glad to know that Joe Jacobson has some money because the Lord knows the teams will need it. They weren't professional promoters either, but they lost some money.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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