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Miss Gladys Hitt  
c/o State Compensation Insurance Fund  
State Building  
First and Broadway  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Miss Gladys:

I was delighted to hear from you and I assure you it is a genuine pleasure to accede to your request. However, I believe it would be much better if you would write me immediately, telling me what you desire to have put in the book in addition to the autograph. I will conform to your wishes gladly and of course will be most happy to autograph the book. I have written a new text called Better Basketball which I think is the best thing that I have ever written by far. There are 490 pages in this text that was published by McGraw-Hill Company of New York. Not only have I put in this book the treatment of athletic injuries and all the fundamental pedagogy necessary to teach all the elemental stages of basketball, but I have incorporated a chapter in the back of the book entitled "The Tales of Yesteryears." These are stories of great games that our teams have played against opponents that produced thrilling climaxes, and I know Ward Jr. would be delighted to read these because we not only spent much time and thought, but we picked the highlights out of many season's games to do these stories. I wrote the book not for advanced coaches, but for high school boys who would thrill to larger adventures. The price of the book is \$4.00. If you will kindly mail me a check for \$8.00 for the two books I will gladly pay the postage and see that you have them with exact wording that you want combined with the autograph.

It is nice of you to write me as you did. You know how fond I was of Ward. To think that he has a son pleases me very much, and, too, I remember you very well and I wish for you all of the health and happiness of the Yuletide that has left us on this side thankful for many many things.

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation  
Varsity Basketball Coach

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