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Dear Dr. Allen:

The Big Six faculty representatives at our recent meeting in Kansas City instructed me to acknowledge your letter to them regarding a twenty game basketball allowance.

Your letter would seem to indicate a belief that the Big Six printed Rules allow twenty basketball games and that the faculty representatives at the December, 1938 meeting, without consultation with the Directors, reduced the number of games to eighteen. You are definitely in error if such is your belief. It has only been by special action of the faculty representatives each year that twenty games have been allowed in the past. The following is taken from the minutes of the meeting of the faculty representatives as of December 3, 1938.

"Twenty Basketball and Baseball Games.

A motion was made by Shirky, seconded by Jones "that twenty basketball and baseball games be approved for the 1938-39 season, the additional two games in each case to be played during vacation time, and that it be understood that for the future there will be a return to the regular eighteen game schedule as provided by the Conference rules." Motion carried."

When Kansas University scheduled twenty games for this season, 1939-40, it was in direct violation of the printed Rules. No other Conference school scheduled more than eighteen games.

When it was reported that Kansas had already scheduled twenty games, Dr. Davis assumed the blame for what he said was his failure to advise the responsible members of the athletic staff that twenty games would not be allowed for 1939-40. In order to relieve Kansas of possible embarrassment in the situation, the faculty representatives then agreed to approve twenty games for this year.

It then came to us that Kansas was entered in a basketball tournament to be held in Topeka. This being against the Rules, it was suggested by the Directors that if Kansas dropped from the tournament, the eighteen rule limit would not be exceeded. However, in deference to Dr. Davis and to avoid any