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My dear "Phog":

I just received the last "Graduate" magazine a couple of days ago and read that you had again added another basket ball championship to your list. May I take this opportunity to congratulate you for the wonderful work you have done in taking so many inexperienced players and developing them into championship material.

In reading about the various records made by present day basket ball players, including the much publicized Hank Luisetti, the thought has often occurred to me that coaches and sports writers should distinguish between the number of points made by field goals and those made on free throws. This would give a better comparison between players and also would be fair in comparing records of present day players with those who played in the days when one player did practically all the free throwing of his team.

Incidentally, I spent Saturday evening reminiscing and going through some old records of the days before I was a "has-been" and I got to wondering about how my record for field goals made in the season 1913-14 compared with the records made since that time by Kansas players. I found an old Spaulding guide which gave the records of players in the old Missouri Valley conference which showed me making 91 field goals in 17 games, with my partner, Lefty Sproull, making 67 in 17 games and no other player in the conference scoring more than 57. I do not have a record of the 1909-10 season, but my recollection is that after I made the team I scored 67 field goals in 10 games.

My only point in writing you about this is to satisfy my curiosity, and I know of no one who is in a position to check the records without too much trouble. If it is not asking too much, I would like to have my curiosity satisfied.

One of these days I hope that you can schedule a basket ball game with our team at the University of Arizona. Whenever you do this, I want you to know that you have a standing invitation for yourself and the whole team to eat an "honest-to-goodness" meal at my home.

With kind personal regards and best wishes for continued success,
I am

Cordially yours,

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