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Mr. Raymond Nichols
Chancellor's Office

Dear Ray:

You and I have had discussions regarding the necessity of our probably enlarging our instructors' staff for the additional Navy requirements and for the enlargement of our professional school work. In appraising the offering of courses necessary to carry on our professional school and at the same time meet the Navy requirements, as well as an enlarged demand for intramurals, I find that I am faced with the manpower shortage in scheduling personnel to handle the thing. After working with Messrs. Shenk and Kanehl on this proposition, and after assigning a full teaching load to each of our staff, I find that we have a total of thirty-two instruction hours remaining to be assigned. It seems advisable under these circumstances to add instructors to handle this overload.

Our offering is still too meeker in attractive activity. We should probably offer more sections in wrestling, boxing and apparatus, especially for the benefit of the Navy. There is also a demand for these activities and others from the returning service men. It is my understanding that Navy men may enroll in these activity classes in lieu of the general Physical Education.

It has also been necessary to hire much additional student help in monitory service on account of the new basket system that we have installed for the Navy. The officers of the Navy demanded that we have some system that would prevent the Navy students from taking equipment out of the other fellow's locker. Therefore, we had Mr. Bayles put in wooden strips between the basket lockers. The Navy requires the students to have locks on the baskets and this strip makes the basket secure and safe against purloining by anyone else not owning the basket. The abuse got so bad that many of the V-12 boys could not report to class due to the lack of equipment, which was a Navy must.

I find, too, that our towels have been depleted to such an extent, due to the wear and tear of laundering and use by the men, that we must immediately order a large supply.

Our cost of the administration of these affairs is going to be far in excess of what it was estimated last year. This, of course, is on account of greatly increased enrollment and this which I have just mentioned.

I am just leaving now for Manhattan but will get in touch with you as soon as possible. Upon our return from Manhattan, we leave for Lincoln, Nebraska, at one o'clock Thursday, so I fear it will be the first of the week, at which time I hope to have a conference with you.

Very cordially yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.