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Dear Dean Schwegler:

I desire to explain to you the situation regarding the last Senate meeting as I learned it from one of the members who attended. This applies to the hearing of the Senate Committee on Athletics and Physical Education.

It seems as if there were very few members attending the Senate meeting who really knew very much about the thing that was being discussed. After some rather desultory firing I am told that Dr. Brewster got up and recommended that all the intramurals be put under the head of the University of Kansas Physical Education Corporation (Athletic Association).

Mr. W. A. Dill, who had known a good deal of the struggles to put intramurals on its feet made this observation: first, that the University was interested in intramural athletics for two or three reasons; (1) that the boys and girls made progress toward graduation; (2) they were interested in physical education as a laboratory for teachers who would go out into the field and teach physical education; and (3) they were interested in physical education as a means of development of certain skills and keeping the body fit as far as their own physiques were concerned.

Therefore, he recommended that intramurals be placed under the direction of the Senate Committee on Physical Education and Athletics, and not under the department of competitive athletics.

I was told that Dr. Brewster's motion did not receive a second, and since Mr. Dill's motion had received a second they then voted on his motion, and Mr. Dill's motion won.

It was the feeling of my informant that apparently the people who really knew much about it failed to say anything about it, or at least to discuss it intelligently. Of course, I was away, and Professor Davis did not attend the meeting. Professor Davis said he talked to the Chancellor prior to the meeting, stating he could not be there and said he hoped that some one would be there who could present the case favorably.