

Then I remember you telling me something about a long goal that was thrown at Nebraska in which an official ruled that a goal had been scored, when as a matter of fact you and the coach had been very sure that the goal had been missed. After the game it was my understanding that Nebraska won by two points, the difference in this mistake in goals. While such instances as you recount will seldom happen, nevertheless they do happen.

Then here is another thing, Frank. The score-keeper under the new rules and with the old basket might not be sure whether a goal has been made, and it is very possible that he might want to stop the game and ask the official whether the field basket had been scored. Now under these new rules a field goal and an out-of-bounds play are handled by the defense in a similar manner. In other words, if a player shoots at a goal that comes very close and goes out of bounds, the opponents have the ball and have five seconds to play it back in bounds. This is exactly the case when a player shoots at the goal and he misses it and the ball goes out of bounds.

Now, isn't it possible for the scorer with an optical illusion to get into all sorts of trouble? And I have seen that very thing happen.

This basket is fool-proof, and I think it adds a lot to the game, especially when there are spectators sitting behind the basket like at Iowa State, Kansas State and Nebraska. I think it really adds a lot to the game when they sit right in front and out at the side of the basket. There is just something added there that I think is worth while.

I trust that I have not been obnoxious to you in presenting these points. But all the coaches voted to use the basket in the Big Six, and I am only sorry that you weren't there to hear what they had to say.

I have been looking for you at Lawrence at some of our games, but I haven't seen you. We play Washburn here on January 4th, and would be glad to have you come up.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

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