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Mr. R. K. Evans, Athletic Director,  
Georgetown College,  
Georgetown, Kentucky.

Dear Mr. Evans:

I do not know of a knee brace that would be entirely adequate for your boy. Any brace that you get will not support the internal and external lateral ligaments of the knee. It almost takes a job of expert taping to contribute much in supporting them.

In my book, "Better Basketball", in the section devoted to Athletic Injuries and Emergencies, pages 376-377, I have very definitely explained how the knee may be taped.

An aluminum hinged brace, which you can get at most sporting goods houses like Lowe and Campbell, is about as good a brace that I know about. There is also an elastic knee bandage that can be put on over the tape which gives a snug support, probably better than any other device. Or you can use an Ace Bandage over the adhesive tape. They all do the same thing as the elastic knee bandage.

I have been able to treat these knees for many boys and if there is any way that your boy could come up here I would be glad to look at it for him without any charge, of course, to him.

Personally, I doubt the floating cartilage diagnosis, because if it were that when he would run it would float from its normal position to a position that would cause the knee to lock and the boy would be thrown violently on his face. From what I can get from your letter I do not believe that thing is happening.

You may rest assured that I shall be glad to do whatever I can.

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,  
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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