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DEAR DR. ALLEN:

I AGREE PERFECTLY WITH THE OPINION YOU EXPRESSED IN YOUR LETTER THAT IT IS UNFAIR TO PICK THE BIG SIX ALL-STAR PLAYERS WHEN THE CRUCIAL GAMES STILL REMAIN TO BE PLAYED.

HOWEVER, IN THIS JOB AS IN SO MANY OTHERS, ONE SOMETIMES MUST DO WHAT ONE DOES NOT LIKE. THE PRIME REASON FOR SENDING OUT THE BALLOTS SO EARLY WAS TO GET AN INDICATION OF WHICH PLAYERS WERE BEING FAVORED AND TO GET PICTURES OF THEM. IT TAKES TWO WEEKS TO ROUNDUP PICTURES AND HAVE A CUT MADE. BY THE PRESENT METHOD WE CAN RELEASE THE PICTURES AND STORY ON THE SAME DAY----AN IDEAL ARRANGEMENT FOR THE SPORTS EDITORS.

I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SELECTIONS AFTER THE SEASON HAS OFFICIALLY CLOSED AS I DO NOT INTEND RELEASING THE NAMES UNTIL LATER.

THE KANSAS-NEBRASKA GAME WAS THE FIRST BIG SIX GAME I WITNESSED ALTHOUGH I HAD SEEN IOWA STATE PLAY DRAKE MANY TIMES DURING THE NINE YEARS I SPENT UNDER SEC TAYLOR'S GUIDANCE. I FELT, HOWEVER, THE KANSAS-OKLAHOMA GAME HAD A BIT MORE OF "SPECTATOR" APPEAL. IN THE TWO GAMES I HAVE SEEN, I DEVELOPED A GREAT RESPECT FOR YOUR LYMAN CORLIS AS A REBOUND ARTIST.

THANKS FOR YOUR KIND WORDS ABOUT THE STORY. AFTER ALL, IT WAS YOU WHO MADE THE STORY.

SINCERELY YOURS,

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SPORTS EDITOR

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