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Mr. Forrest C. Allen,  
Coach of basket ball,  
University of Kansas,  
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Dr. Allen:

I have had a group of Boy Scouts out in the Mountains for three weeks and have just returned to Pittsburg and find your letter of the 14th. Thanks for the information on the combination electric score board and timer. We have not placed our order as yet as there has been no need to rush and there may be new ideas incorporated in boards that come out this fall

Please think nothing of your delay in making reply to my letter. I expect that all of us have been guilty some time or another of misplacing an unanswered letter.

In regard to my calling violations made in some of your games when a player, I believe that you mentioned Golay, entered the free throw lane before the ball had touched either the goal or the backboard, I will say that I have been forced to call this several times in Big Six Conference games as there is quite a tendency to step into the lane as the ball leaves the thrower's hands. I have failed to call it many times when the violation occurred but any time I did call it, I assure you that the offending player had his foot parked in the lane long before the ball touched the basket or backstop. I believe that I understand this rule very well but want to thank you for your interpretation just the same.

While on the topic of rules, I might say that your boy Howard Engleman seemed to not understand the rule regulating what can be done with the feet by the player with the ball. In your Kansas State game at Lawrence, I called him for traveling twice and during a time out period, he asked me why I had called him. One time he changed his pivot foot, after having pivoted on one foot he then pivoted on the other. The other time he came to a stop in a two count rhythm with one foot in advance of the other and pivoted on the forward foot. Howard is a swell kid and I know him well enough that he felt free to ask me which I was glad that he did.