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Dr. Forrest C. Allen,  
Director of Physical Education  
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Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dr. Allen:

Many thanks for your two letters of May 13 and enclosures, all of which have received the careful attention of several of us here in St. Louis.

First of all, I have arranged to get a copy of the Standard Oil Company bulletin mentioned in your letter, but am at a loss to get a copy of "Collegiate News" and if you have an extra copy available I would certainly appreciate having you send it on; or, if you can tell me where I could get a copy of this "Collegiate News", I would appreciate that information.

We are writing Mr. Porter, per copy of letter attached, which I believe is more or less self-explanatory and I shall not repeat our position in this letter to you because a perusal of the attached will reveal how we have acted on the information you have given us together with the letter from Mr. Porter, dated May 11, copy also attached.

If you think we are not following the right procedure, as outlined to Mr. Porter, please give us your opinion, as we do not want the interest that has been aroused in the new backstop to lag because of a wrong approach on our part, or for lack of follow-up to the interested parties.

I note the dates on which you will be away from Lawrence, and with the idea in mind of dropping over to see you for a discussion not only of our backboard but of the new game of junior basketball - or whatever we might decide to call it - I am wondering whether it would be satisfactory with you for me to drop in on you Wednesday, May 24. I could leave here Tuesday night, May 23, and be in Lawrence some time around 10 o'clock the following morning, arriving via Santa Fe from Kansas City. Apparently the 24th and 25th are open dates on your calendar and that is why I have suggested them. Of course, there is a possibility of some last-minute change at this end, which would necessitate my cancelling the above, but at this writing it appears I could make this trip on that date, subject, of course, to your wishes.

Meanwhile, I am enclosing a draft of the game as we tried to interpret it, and would like to have you give this game some thought. The more we think of it, the more we believe there is an opportunity for some one, in this case you, to