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Mr. L. E. Menze,  
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Dear Louis:

I acknowledge receipt of your kind favor of the 8th instant, and make the following suggestion.

In article one you state "that permission be given to play twenty games of basketball every year (this to include the holiday games)". The wording of that could be better put "that permission be given to play twenty games of basketball each year provided the additional two games over the eighteen are played during the holiday season".

This was the thought expressed by the faculty representatives when permission was given to play two additional games. The directors and faculty members may object to the wording of this number one proposition, in that you could play twenty games of basketball under this provision without playing any during the Christmas holidays. The faculty members have always objected to increasing the number of games unless two games were played during the holidays, so to protect ourselves in this would it not be better to re-word that?

I agree with you that you do not have authority to call such a meeting, but I was hoping that you could prevail upon Veenk to call the meeting as secretary of the Big Six Directors, since Bruce Drake and George Edwards would be coaching the golf teams and most of the other coaches could drive a car with a group of athletes in it.

I am delivering a commencement address at Seneca, Kansas, on the 16th, and Director Henry and Coaches Hurt and Lansing and Earl Falkenstien are going to drive up with me. We will go on in from there late Thursday night. I hope it will not be too late because if it is I will get shot for talking too long. With my boss in the audience and the fact that I am on the spot to get up there not too late will, I believe, make my discourse for the evening rather snappy and to the point. At least, I hope so.