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Mr. C. E. McBride,
Sports Editor,
The Kansas City Star,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Mac:

Some time last week I noticed where some correspondent detected a sour note in my statement to the press prior to the Creighton game at Omaha.

Perhaps said correspondent did not know of my letter to Eddie Hickey as of February 27. I am enclosing this letter for your inspection. Of course, this correspondent could not know of this letter because I chose to offer to Eddie Hickey his choice of alternative.

I wrote to Hickey immediately as soon as I was informed by my boys of their desire not to play at Omaha. I could do nothing else.

I am not particularly desirous of learning the identity of the correspondent since I try to do the very best that I can as I see it. Long ago I have had to depend on my resources as they come to me. And if they are terribly faulty then I will just have to worry along without the intermittent admiration and support of my off-again-on-again friends.

Do you not agree with me when I state that it is rather a perplexing thing to me to understand why it is that many newspaper men who proclaim so loudly the virtues of freedom of the press utterly fail to agree with the individual in his right to freedom of speech?

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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