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Dr. F. C. Allen, Director of Physical Education, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kan.

Dear Dr. Allen:

Your special delivery letter arrived early this morning. Inasmuch as my reply will be in your hands in plenty of time, I am sending this letter instead of the wire that you requested.

In one of your suggestions you jumped the gun on me. In a conversation with Mr. Shirkey yesterday it was agreed that Missouri would be involved in any plans for the tournament; and since my withdrawal would leave a better balanced committee; that I should not participate in any active manner in your deliberations or voting. Consequently, I will not meet with your group in Kansas City as a member of the committee. In fact I will not even make the trip unless you feel that my presence is desirable in order to facilitate action on any decisions the committee makes. If you think I should be on call you can wire me Monday night or on Tuesday morning. Otherwise I will remain here and await notification of your plans. I would appreciate a wire of instructions as soon as possible after you have made your plans.

Mr. Shirkey told me at the track meet last night that the conference secretary, Mr. Bergman, had wired for Missouri's vote on Big Six cooperation in this tournament. I presume that this was part of a conference pole on the matter. Before any definite plans are laid I imagine it would be best to contact our secretary regarding the outcome of the pole.

Yours truly,

George R. Edwards.